



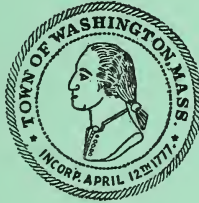
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OF THE TOWN OF
WASHINGTON
AND
SCHOOL COMMITTEE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

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Eagle Printing and Binding Company
Pittsfield, Mass.

TOWN WARRANT
February 12, 1955

Polls will open at 12 noon and may close at 6 P. M. Business meeting will open at 8 P. M.

Art. 1—To bring in and cast their vote by ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Tree Warden, one Tax Collector, one Auditor, all for one year; one School Committeeman, two Assessors and one Selectman, all for three years; also one School Committeeman for one year; one Assessor for one year.

Art. 2—To see if the Selectmen shall be an agent for the Town in defense of any suits for and in behalf of the Town and to adjust all claims for damage against the Town and to choose an agent or pass any vote thereon.

Art 3—To hear and act on the reports of the School Committee and the Superintendent and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,900.00 or any other sum for the operation of schools or take any vote in relation thereto.

Art. 4—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue for the financial year, beginning January 1, 1955, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew a note or notes as may be given for a period less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws; also temporary loans under provision of Section 6A, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Art. 5—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Eden Glen Pond.

Art. 6—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for expenses of Tree Warden or take any action relating thereto.

Art. 7—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$679.19 for Pension Fund and Expense Fund as required by the Berkshire County Retirement Board and ordered by the Berkshire County Commissioners.

Art. 8—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 or any other sum for the control of the Dutch Elm Disease.

Art. 9—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$95.00 for Gypsy Moth control as required by the General Laws, Chapter 660 (Section II, Acts of 1948).

Art. 10—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3,441.35 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account, \$1,000.00 of which is to be used to pay notes on Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor.

Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36.00 for tax titles.

Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of their members as a member of the Judiciary Committee of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District and raise and appropriate the sum of \$65.00 for his services.

Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$225.00 to pay its portion of the administration and equipment expense of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District.

Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 15—To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108,

Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended. All salaries to be effective as of January 1, 1955.

Town Clerk	\$100.00	Clerk Assessors	\$60.00
Town Treasurer	150.00	3rd member Assessors	50.00
Tax Collector	150.00	4th member Assessors	50.00
Auditor	25.00	5th member Assessors	50.00
Chairman Selectmen	150.00	Tree Warden	25.00
2nd member Selectmen	50.00	Chairman School Com.	10.00
3rd member Selectmen	50.00	Clerk School Com.	50.00
Chairman Assessors	50.00	3rd member Sch. Com.	10.00

Art. 16—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the following purposes and pass any vote relating thereto. (Selectmen's recommendations) Maintenance of Highways, Chapter 81, \$780.00; Chapter 90, Pittsfield Road, \$1,000.00; Chapter 90 Maintenance, \$1,000.00; Snow Removal, \$2,500.00; Bridges, \$400.00; Appointed Officers, \$100.00; Miscellaneous, \$700.00; Officers (Town), \$1,050.00; Officers' Bonds, \$50.00; Discount on notes, \$2,300.00; Forest Warden, \$100.00; Old Age Assistance, \$8,000.00; Aid to Dependent Children, \$2,500.00; General Relief, \$500.00; Cemeteries, \$200.00; Becket Fire Department, \$500.00; Becket Firemen, \$100.00; Insurance on Buildings \$1,000.00; Civil Defense, \$200.00; Veterans' Aid, \$1,500.00; Board of Health, \$50.00; Workmen's Compensation, \$600.00; Disability Aid, \$300.00.

Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to make necessary repairs to the Town's elementary school building.

Art. 18—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be used by its Board of Health when needed towards the care and hospitalization of infants weighing four and one half pounds at birth, in accordance with Section 3, Chapter 3 of the General Laws as amended. (Chapter 60I, acts of 1949).

Art. 19—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to pay the Town of Becket for use of its Town Dump.

Art. 20—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Sons and Daughters of Washington Reunion.

Art. 21—To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$14.93 in Old Age Assistance Administration account and \$10.31 in Aid to Dependent Children Administration account to the administration and equipment expense account of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District.

Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$244.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to pay balance due on 1-1/8 in. forestry hose and 2½" box strainer.

Art. 23—To choose all other Town Officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot: Field Drivers, Pound Keeper, Fence Viewers, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Bark, Sexton and Constables.

Art. 24—To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

TOWN OFFICERS IN 1954

MODERATOR

Harry C. Shaw

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

C. A. R. Simmons

SELECTMEN

C. A. R. Simmons	Term expires 1954
Harry C. Shaw, Chairman	Term expires 1955
Emil Schulze	Term expires 1956

ASSESSORS

Albert E. Larson	Term expires 1954
Emil Schulze, Chairman	Term expires 1954
C. A. R. Simmons	Term expires 1954
Alexander G. Jarvie	Term expires 1955
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Clerk	Term expires 1956

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Alexander G. Jarvie	Term expires 1954
James S. Brown	Term expires 1954
Edith S. Wagner, Chairman	Term expires 1956

TREE WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

AUDITOR AND TAX COLLECTOR

Marguerite E. Schulze

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

APPOINTEES

FOREST WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Joseph N. Blotz

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Ernest F. Schulze

Joseph N. Blotz

FIELD DRIVERS

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

C. A. R. Simmons

Emil Schulze

POUND KEEPER

C. A. R. Simmons

CONSTABLES

Walter Beckwith

C. A. R. Simmons

Henry E. Rock

Harold Klein

James S. Brown

Andrew Methe

Amos E. Gallant

Philip Bohrer

Roy Simmons

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Philip Bohrer

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER

Philip Bohrer

FENCE VIEWERS

John Campbell, Sr.

Carl H. Peer

Philip Bohrer

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Amos E. Gallant

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Roland Daigle

INSPECTOR OF ELECTRIC WIRING

Louis M. Baker

Allen Eames

DOG TAX OFFICER

Zigmund Zaleski

CHIEF OF POLICE

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

FIRE CHIEF

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

VETERANS' AGENT

Francis W. Lane

Andrew I. Methe

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

1954 APPROPRIATIONS

School	\$20,525.00
Eden Glen Pond	100.00
Tree Warden	100.00
Berkshire County Board (Retirement)	476.88
Dutch Elm	50.00
Gypsy Moth	94.30
Tax Titles	36.00
Judiciary Agt. Eastern Berkshire Welfare Dist.	65.00
Eastern Berk. Welfare Dist. Administration	300.00
Chapter 81	780.00
Chapter 90, Pittsfield Road	1,000.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	1,000.00
Snow Removal	2,500.00
Bridges	500.00
Appointed Officers	200.00
Miscellaneous	600.00
Town Officers	1,050.00
Officers' Bonds	40.00
Discount on Notes	2,500.00
Forest Warden	100.00
Old Age Assistance	10,000.00
Aid Dependent Children	2,500.00
General Relief	500.00
Cemeteries	250.00
Snow Fence	100.00
Becket Fire Department	500.00
Becket Firemen	100.00
Insurance on Buildings	1,000.00
Civil Defense	200.00
Veterans' Aid	1,000.00
Board of Health	50.00
Workmen's Compensation	600.00
Disability Aid	500.00
Board of Health (Care of Infants)	100.00

Town of Becket (Town Dump)	\$ 25.00
State Census	50.00
Sons and Daughters	25.00
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	\$49,517.18

Art. 10—Voted to appropriate \$2,875.29 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account.

Art. 14—Voted to appropriate \$275.00 from Overlay Surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 22—Voted to appropriate from available funds in the treasury \$222.40 to pay tuition bill to City of Pittsfield, due in 1953.

CHAPTER 90, PITTSFIELD ROAD

Appropriated Annual Town Meeting	\$ 1,000.00
County	6,000.00
State	18,000.00
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Total Available	\$25,000.00

Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$1,216.00
Amos Gallant, pickup	456.00
Roy Simmons, loader operator	800.00
Roy Simmons, labor	95.00
Emil Schulze, labor	915.00
Edward Gallant, labor	410.00
Joseph Fassell, mason	78.00
Joseph Furlong, Jr., truck	1,502.38
Town of Washington, loader and tractor	1,484.00
A. M. Peer, truck	984.75
Edward Gargan, operator	180.00
Rolland Construction, shovel	1,673.10
Fred Munn, truck	459.00
Peer Bros., truck	702.00
L. P. Adams, 28 bags cement	37.80
Berkshire Gravel Co, 238¼ T. stone	440.77
Dodge Construction, compressor and oper.	692.81

Walter Beckwith, labor	\$ 266.25
Est. John Peer, truck	845.38
J. Cadwell, operator	30.00
Kelly Lumber, lumber	22.40
Kopper's Co., 250 pine posts	577.50
Carrie Levernoch, 4500 yds. gravel	450.00
Murray Stone, 2200 yds. burrow	220.00
Town of Blandford, grader	130.00
Charles Dery, 2300 yds. burrow	230.00
Larry Burnham, labor	383.75
New Eng. Metal Culvert, 348 ft. culvert	
14 couplings	936.56
Claude Goodell, truck and labor	1,750.25
Fred Connor, truck	799.00
Fred Connor, bulldozer oper.	666.00
Town of Becket, bulldozer	2,137.50
Ray Bliven, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ca. dynamite	44.00
Murray Stone, mixer	16.00
John Winn, compressor	436.00
Concrete Prod. Inc., 410 cement blocks	77.90
J. D. Shea, dynamite, caps and delays	276.83
Edward Murray, power saw	36.00
Edward Murray, operator	6.40
Edward Murray, truck	705.50
Alfred Dean, 6 bags cement	8.10
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	\$23,177.93
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Unexpended	\$ 1,822.07

CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE

Appropriated	Town	\$1,000.00
	State	1,000.00
	County	1,000.00
Transferred from Reserve		.39
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Total Available		\$3,000.39

Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$ 78.40	
Amos Gallant, pickup	29.40	
A. Marie Peer, truck	191.25	
Joseph Furlong, Jr.	165.75	
Emil Schulze, labor	56.25	
Edward Gallant, labor	58.25	
Larry Burnham, labor	56.25	
Roy Simmons, operator	59.20	
Town of Becket, spreader	16.00	
Alfred Dean, labor	13.50	
Town of Washington, loader	84.00	
W. A. Tyron, truck, hone and operator	48.00	
Fred Munn, truck	34.00	
Town of Tyringham, spreader	16.00	
Berkshire Gravel Co., 390.8 T 3/8 stone	722.98	
American Tar Co., 3825 gal. MC3 tar		
3948 gal. MC5 tar	1,371.16	
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CHAPTER 81

Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting	\$ 780.00
State Appropriation	14,300.00
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Total Available	\$15,080.00

Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$1,470.40
Amos Gallant, pickup	551.40
Roy Simmons, tractor operator	627.20
Roy Simmons, labor	296.25
Emil Schulze, labor	983.75
Edward Gallant, labor	996.25
Edward Gallant, scraper operator	72.00
Richard Burnham, labor	60.00
Larry Burnham, labor	773.75
Town of Washington, tractor-loader	887.50
Town of Washington, sawette	4.50

Claude Goodell, truck	\$ 539.00
Claude Goodell, labor	65.00
A. Marie Peer, truck	454.75
Est. John L. Peer, truck	17.00
Alfred Dean, spreader operator	30.00
Karl Winter, power mower	375.00
Joseph Furlong, Jr., truck	323.00
Walter Beckwith, labor	20.00
Town of Becket, rake	40.00
Town of Becket, spreader	18.00
Peer Bros., truck	238.00
Town of Tyringham, scraper	66.80
Edward Murray, truck	85.00
A. Hebert, bulldozer	248.00
Fred Connor, truck	85.00

\$9,327.55

Material

Leona Fassell, 1150 yds. gravel	\$ 115.00
Roy Smith, 4 pcs. 1 in. x 12 in. x 12 in.	8.64
Walter Fassell, 60 fence posts	15.00
L. P. Adams, 3 axes, brush cutter and paint	17.50
3 axes and 1 brush cutter	15.00
5 long handled shovels	18.25
4 short handled shovels	12.80
10 bags cement	13.00
1 quart enamel	2.50
2 reel cord	1.70
4 scythes	11.00
can paint and nails	1.82
Becket General Store, 1 gal. paint	4.65
Carrie Levernoch, 340 yd. gravel	34.00
American Tar Co., 3,325 gal. T3	1,216.61
American Tar Co., 3,938 gal. T6	
Lane Construction Co. 26 ton steamix	162.50
Lane Construction Co. 11.75 ton steamix	73.44
McMahon Bros. spraying weeds	164.66
Berkshire Gravel Co., 263.5 ton stone	552.23
Berkshire Gravel Co. 35 ton stone	

\$2,440.30

Snow Removal

Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$ 476.15	
Amos Gallant, pickup	189.30	
Roy Simmons, tractor operator	468.85	
Town of Washington, tractor	770.60	
Joseph Furlong, tractor operator	25.50	
A. Marie Peer, truck	587.50	
Edward Gallant, labor	18.75	
L. P. Adams, salt	443.60	
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Snow Fence

Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$ 76.80	
Amos Gallant, pickup	28.80	
Roy Simmons, labor	35.00	
Emil Schulze, labor	50.00	
Claude Goodell, truck	40.80	
Edward Gallant, labor	30.00	
Larry Burnham, labor	20.00	
Walter Beckwith, labor	25.00	
Joseph Furlong, Jr., truck	25.50	
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		\$15,080.00

DISHES ACCOUNT CARRIED OVER FROM 1954

Appropriated	\$43.64
England Brothers, balance due on dishes	\$43.64

EDEN GLEN POND

Appropriated	\$100.00
Transferred from reserve	14.60
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Total Available	\$114.60

Fred Connor, bulldozer operator	\$12.00
Emil Schulze, labor	10.00

Larry Burnham, labor	\$ 10.00	
Town of Becket, bulldozer	40.00	
Joseph Furlong, truck	17.00	
Roy Simmons, loader operator	25.60	
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CEMETERIES

Appropriated	\$250.00
Roy Simmons, two mowings and erect- ing stones	\$250.00

BERKSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT

Appropriated	\$476.88
John J. Shields, Treasurer, pension fund and fund expense	\$476.88

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriated	\$600.00
Pierce & Company, Comp. Policy	\$337.00

Unexpended	<hr/>	\$ 63.00
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FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT

Appropriated	\$1,000.00
W. A. Marcil, Jr., pump with 600 ft. hose, gated y, 2 fog nozzles, 2 hose coup. and strainer.	998.00
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Unexpended	\$2.00

SONS' AND DAUGHTERS' REUNION

Appropriated	\$25.00
Marguerite Schulze, Treasurer	\$25.00

1953 SCHOOL TUITION

Appropriated	\$222.40
City of Pittsfield, balance tuition due	\$ 222.40

DISABILITY AID

Appropriated		\$500.00
Expenditures		
April 1 to April 15	\$ 50.10	
April 15 to April 30	311.25	
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Total Expended	\$361.35	\$361.35
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Unexpended		\$138.65

BRIDGES

Appropriated		\$500.00
Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$ 41.60	
Amos Gallant, pickup	20.40	
Roy Simmons, labor	37.80	
Town of Washington, loader	14.00	
Emil Schulze, labor	62.80	
Edward Gallant, labor	50.00	
L. P. Adams, 10 bags cement	13.00	
35 lbs. 10 D. nails	6.30	
30 lbs. 40 D nails	5.40	
Rock Lumber, 2082 ft. 3 in. 3x16 plank	166.56	
Claude Goodeil, truck and labor	26.50	
Joseph Furlong, Jr., truck	25.50	
Walter Beckwith, labor	30.00	
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Unexpended		.14

OFFICERS' BONDS

Appropriated		\$40.00
Transferred from Reserve		6.00
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Total Available		\$46.00
Hebb Agency, Town Clerk	\$ 5.00	
Hebb Agency, Town Treasurer	13.50	
Hebb Agency, Deputy Tax Collector	5.00	
Mass. Bonding Co., Tax Collector	22.50	
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JUDICIARY AGENT
EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriated	\$65.00
Harry C. Shaw, services	\$65.00

GENERAL RELIEF

Appropriated		\$500.00
Transferred from Reserve		85.95
Total Available		\$585.95
Case No. 1	\$ 67.00	
Case No. 2	238.95	
Case No. 3	280.00	
		\$585.95

DISCOUNT ON NOTES

Appropriated	\$2,500.00
Day Trust Co., Discount all notes	\$2,235.80
Unexpended	\$264.20

FOREST WARDEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Ernest F. Schulze, 18 permits, 3 hrs. labor and postage and storage	6.85
Unexpended	\$93.15

TREE WARDEN

Appropriated		\$100.00
Ernest F. Schulze, labor	\$7.50	
Emil Schulze, labor	\$1.25	
		8.75
Unexpended		\$91.25

GYPSY MOTH CONTROL

Appropriated	\$94.30
Ernest F. Schulze, labor and inspection	25.00
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Unexpended	\$69.30

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriated	\$200.00
Unexpended 1953	57.34
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Total Available	\$257.34
Western Mass. Electric, T. H. lights	\$26.45
C.A.R. Simmons, expense May 22 meet.	3.60
1 qt. paint, brush and hinge	3.63
W. A. Marcil, Jr., 1-6 v siren	35.00
W. A. Marcil, Jr., 7-No. 588 badges	26.93
William Shandoff, 1 file, cards, guides	
and folders	33.73
Roy Simmons, badge	4.00
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	\$133.34
Unexpended	\$124.00

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Appropriated	\$200.00
Joseph N. Blotz, Animal Inspector	\$35.00
Joseph N. Blotz, Slaughter Inspector	35.00
Zigmund Zaleski, Dog Tax Officer	10.00
Roland Daigle, Weights and Measures	10.00
Allen Eames, Inspector Wiring (part time)	2.50
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	92.50
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Unexpended	\$107.50

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriated	\$2,500.00
Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$266.60
Amos Gallant, pickup	33.60

Roy Simmons, tractor operator	\$ 112.00	
Roy Simmons, labor	125.72	
Central Garage, repairs to Monarch	7.29	
Socony Vac. Oil Co., 630 gals. gasoline	179.87	
Joseph Furlong, Jr., truck	223.13	
Bruce Burnham, labor	32.50	
Walter Beckwith, labor	5.00	
Edward Gallant, labor	132.69	
Emil Schulze, labor	15.00	
Town of Washington, tractor-loader	114.00	
Claude Goodell, truck	802.50	
Berkshire Gravel Co. 245.95 Ton sand	445.95	
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		\$2,495.85
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Unexpended		\$4.15

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriated		\$1,050.00
Florence Simmons, Ballot Clerk	\$ 9.00	
Elizabeth Gallant, Ballot Clerk	6.00	
Charles Dery, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
James S. Brown, Ballot Clerk	9.00	
James S. Brown, Part Time School Com.	2.50	
Clara Baker, Part Time School Com.	7.50	
Marguerite Schulze, Tax Collector	150.00	
Emil Schulze, Selectman	50.00	
Emil Schulze, Assessor	50.00	
Harry C. Shaw, Chairman Selectmen	150.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Selectman	50.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Assessor	50.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Town Treasurer	150.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Town Clerk	100.00	
Fred Hansen, Jr., Assessor Clerk	60.00	
Edith Wagner, School Committee Sec.	50.00	
Alexander Jarvie, School Committee	10.00	
Alexander Jarvie, Assessor	50.00	
Albert Larson, Assessor	50.00	

L. M. Baker, Part Time Wire Inspector	\$ 7.50	
Harry C. Shaw, 8 Registrations	16.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, 4 Registrations	8.00	
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		\$1,038.50
Unexpended		<hr/>
		\$11.50

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriated	\$300.00
Virginia Palmer, Treasurer, Administration Cost	\$300.00

TOWN OF BECKET, DUMP

Appropriated	\$25.00
Town of Becket	\$25.00

MACHINERY

Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting	\$2,875.29
Appropriated at Special Town Meeting	500.00
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Total Available	\$3,375.29

Central Garage,

Material and labor	
2 wheel drive loader	\$91.85
4 wheel drive loader	25.22
Repairs to rake	2.75
Tube and change	4.18
Prestone	8.85
Pittsfield Weld. and Supply Co.	
Oxygen, acetylene and demurrage	81.04
Becket General Store,	
1 gal. tractor enamel	6.90
6-60 watt bulbs	1.14
Friction tape	.50
2 fire extinguishers	7.00
Day Trust Co., note on 2 W drive loader	2,000.00

Western Mass. Electric Co,		
Garage power and light	\$ 78.10	
Eastern Equipment Sales, spreader	215.00	
Levernoch Bros., 22 gal. spec. oil	21.52	
Connelly's Service Sta., 58 cr. chains	60.90	
Plastic and cleaner	5.00	
Pittsfield Retread and Tire Co.		
Repair loader tire	10.50	
Tyler Equipment Co.,		
8 bucket teeth, 2 wheel drive	25.51	
Generator, 2 wheel drive	48.73	
Part payment, 4 wheel drive	97.50	
12 torches, 8 bucket teeth and 2 oil fil-		
ters, 4 wheel drive	58.55	
Pin for bucket	3.81	
Roy Simmons, 12 hrs. labor oper.	19.20	
Socony Oil Co., 1707.9 gals. gasoline	441.42	
Socony Oil Co., 127.3 gals. gasoline	36.51	
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Unexpended		\$ 23.61

STATE CENSUS

Appropriated	\$50.00
Martha Gardner, Enumerator	\$50.00

VETERANS' AID

Appropriated	\$1,000.00
Transferred from reserve	55.21
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Total Available	\$1,055.21

Flynn's Pharmacy, medicines	\$161.66	
Children Medical Center, medicines	498.55	
Case No. 2, aid (emergency)	45.00	
Pittsfield Gen. Hospital	350.00	
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AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting		\$2,500.00
Appropriated at Special Town Meeting		500.00
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		\$3,000.00
U. S. Grant		1,458.57
U. S. Grant carried from 1953		586.00
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Available		\$5,044.57
Expended Town Appropriations	\$2,880.91	
Expended U. S. Grant	\$1,434.65	
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Total Expended		\$4,315.56
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Unexpended		\$ 729.01
Unexpended Town Appropriation	\$119.09	
Unexpended U. S. Town Grant	\$609.92	
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		\$ 729.01

Payroll Expenditures

January 15 to January 31	\$ 141.50
February 1 to February 15	91.50
February 15 to February 28	96.50
March 1 to March 15	91.50
March 15 to March 31	160.61
April 1 to April 15	79.10
April 15 to April 30	140.15
May 1 to May 15	79.10
May 15 to May 31	103.75
June 1 to June 15	90.75
June 15 to June 30	178.25
July 1 to July 15	90.75
July 15 to July 31	119.25
August 1 to August 15	127.25
August 15 to August 31	234.80

September 1 to September 15	\$ 147.65	
September 15 to September 30	1,151.80	
October 1 to October 15	131.30	
October 15 to October 31	187.81	
November 1 to November 15	135.60	
November 15 to November 30	214.63	
December 1 to December 15	141.10	
December 15 to December 31	380.91	
	<hr/>	\$4,315.56

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION

Unexpended from 1952	\$10.35
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OLD AGE ADMINISTRATION

Unexpended from 1952	\$14.93
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriated	\$10,000.00
U. S. Grant	2,124.10
U. S. Grant carried from 1953	.29

Total Available	<hr/>	\$12,124.39
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Expended Town Appropriations	\$7,815.84
Expended U. S. Grant	564.60

Total Expended	<hr/>	\$ 8,380.44
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Unexpended	<hr/>	\$ 3,743.95
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Unexpended Town Appropriation	\$2,184.16	
Unexpended U. S. Grant	\$1,559.79	
	<hr/>	\$ 3 743.95

Payroll Expenditures

Sept. 1 to Jan. 1 (out of town case)	\$ 79.75
1953—1954	
January 1 to January 15	425.90
January 15 to January 31	717.81
February 1 to February 15	425.50
February 15 to February 28	361.16
March 1 to March 15	255.95
March 15 to March 31	689.78
April 1 to April 15	255.95
April 15 to April 30	440.15
May 1 to May 15	267.70
May 15 to May 31	371.28
June 1 to June 15	272.95
June 15 to June 30	188.50
January 1 to July 1 (out of town)	90.28
July 1 to July 15	107.70
July 15 to July 31	368.16
August 1 to August 15	107.70
August 15 to August 31	474.96
September 1 to September 15	101.75
September 15 to September 30	483.12
October 1 to October 15	101.75
October 15 to October 31	462.85
November 1 to November 15	101.75
November 15 to November 30	513.44
December 1 to December 15	101.75
December 15 to December 31	491.75
July 1 to December 31 (out of town)	121.10
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	\$8,380.44

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Appropriated	\$50.00
Unexpended	\$50.00

TAX TITLES

Appropriated	\$36.00
Unexpended	\$36.00

SNOW FENCE

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

TOWN OF BECKET FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	\$500.00
Town of Becket	\$500.00

BECKET FIREMEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriated	\$50.00
Unexpended	\$50.00

BOARD OF HEALTH (Care of Infants)

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

RESERVE ACCOUNT

Appropriated	\$275.00
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Transferred to:

Loader	\$37.91	
Officers' Bonds	6.00	
Eden Glen Pond	14.60	
Chapter 90 Maint.	.39	
General Relief	85.95	
Veterans' Aid	55.21	
Miscellaneous	.36	
	<hr/>	\$200.42

Unexpended	<hr/>	\$ 74.58
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INSURANCE ON BUILDINGS

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
Pierce and Co.		
Town Hall, weights and measures	\$84.60	
Elementary School and Equipment	915.40	
	<hr/>	\$1,000.00

4 WHEEL DRIVE HOUGH LOADER

Appropriated	\$5,000.00
Tyler Equipment Co.	\$5,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Appropriated at Annual Meeting	\$600.00
Appropriated at Special Meeting	200.00
Transferred from Reserve	.36
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Available	\$800.36

Mass. Treas. & Collector Assn., 1954 dues	\$ 4.00
Kelly Lumber Co., plywood and lbr., Vote Booth	20.78
Eagle Printing & Binding Co., 150 reg. ballots and 5 specials	22.75
125-84 page Town Reports	354.25
300 voting lists	28.50
American Writing Ink Co., 1 pint ink	.69
E. P. Gowdy, office supplies	1.20
E. P. Gowdy, 1 C166 cabinet	12.50
Berkshire County Selectmen's Assn, 1954 dues	6.00
Mass. Assessors' Assn., 1954 dues	9.00
Berkshire Eagle, legal notices	8.13
Stevens & Co., blast bond	10.00
Mass. Selectmen's Assn., 1954 dues	10.00
Amos Gallant, loader plates	3.00
Herman Dine, certification of notes	16.00
Donald Hall, legal services	25.00
Mass. Veteran's Assn., 1954 dues	10.00

Carr Hdw. Co., bolts, brush, shellac, paper	\$ 2.22	
Pittsfield National Bank, imprinting checks	11.35	
Harry C. Shaw, mileage, tel. & tel. and post.	83.07	
Hobbs & Warren Co., 200 warrants	6.45	
275 real est. tax bills, 75 per. prop. tax bills	20.60	
100-687-688 forms	2.32	
Nelson Foote, petition fee, change sec.		
Pitts. road	5.00	
Mass. Town Clerk's Assn., 1954 dues and recorder	7.50	
Fred T. Hansen, postage	3.00	
Barre Gazette, 150 motor vehicle bills, 100 poll tax bills	9.86	
Zigmund Zaleski, mileage	4.76	
L. M. Baker, mileage	1.98	
C. E. H. Whitlock, 2 Washington maps	7.50	
Andrew Methe, postage, mileage and phone	3.96	
Emil Schulze, mileage and expense	21.30	
Harold Goggins, 36 photostats	14.40	
C. A. R. Simmons, postage, mileage, phone and misc.	34.57	
Recording births, deaths and marriages	12.00	
Marguerite Schulze, mileage and postage	6.72	
		\$800.36

RECAPITULATION

Old Age Assistance	\$ 8,380.44
Aid to Dependent Children	4,315.56
Miscellaneous	800.36
East. Berkshire Welfare Dist. Adm.	300.00
Snow Removal	2,495.85
Disability Aid	361.35
Bridges	499.86
4 Wheel Drive Loader	5,000.00
Machinery	3,351.68
Becket Fire Dept.	500.00

General Relief	\$ 585.95
State Census	50.00
Town of Becket, use of dump	25.00
East. Berk. Welfare Judiciary Officer	65.00
Sons and Daughters of Washington	25.00
1953 Balance of School Tuition	222.40
Civil Defense	133.34
Town Officers	1,038.50
Forest Warden	6.85
Tree Warden	8.75
Gypsy Moth Control	25.00
Officers' Bonds	46.00
Appointed Officers	92.50
Workmen's Compensation	537.00
Fire Fighting Equipment	998.00
Insurance on Buildings	1,000.00
Discount on Notes	2,235.80
Berkshire County Retirement	476.88
Veterans' Aid	1,055.21
Chapter 81	15,080.00
School Dishes, balance due	43.64
Eden Glen Pond	114.60
Cemeteries	250.00
Chapter 90	23,177.93
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,000.39
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	\$76,298.84

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SHAW, *Chairman*

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS

EMIL SCHULZE

Board of Selectmen

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1954		\$37,346.51
1950 Real Estate	\$	1.74
1951 Real Estate		20.84
1951 Excise		70.84
1951 Poll		2.00
1952 Real Estate		148.50
1952 Personal		8.55
1952 Excise		61.48
1952 Poll		4.00
1953 Real Estate		4,022.28
1953 Personal		239.90
1953 Excise		986.49
1953 Poll		22.00
1954 Real Estate		13,203.63
1954 Personal		2,309.86
1954 Excise		1,618.55
1954 Poll		102.00
1950 Real Estate Interest		3.26
1951 Real Estate Interest		5.53
1951 Excise Interest		9.95
1951 Poll Interest		.27
1952 Real Estate Interest		10.00
1952 Personal Interest		.69
1952 Excise Interest		3.96
1952 Poll Interest		.38
1953 Real Estate Interest		94.72
1953 Personal Interest		7.41
1953 Excise Interest		16.53
1953 Poll Interest		.82
1954 Real Estate Interest		10.47
1954 Personal Interest		.43
1954 Excise Interest		1.48
1954 Poll Interest		.49
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		\$22,989.05

Selectmen's Licenses	\$ 636.00
Tractor Earnings, Town of Washington	3,354.10
Tractor Earnings, Town of Becket	1,086.80
Tractor Earnings, Town of Tyringham	94.50
Tractor Earnings, Town of Hinsdale	55.00
Tractor Earnings, Town of Otis	72.00
Tractor Earnings, Town of Middlefield	70.40
Philip Raymond, use of Loader	52.80
M. J. Schelsy, use of Loader	26.40
Joseph Furlong, use of Loader	26.40
Roy Simmons, use of Loader	22.00
Sawett Earnings, Town of Washington	4.50
Withholding Tax	2,157.30
Berkshire County Retirement, deductions	573.90
Sporting Licenses	280.50
Chapter 81, 1953 contract (5711)	3,100.00
Chapter 81, 1954 contract (5893)	13,100.00
Chapter 90 Construction (15201) County	6,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction, State	13,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance, County	1,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance, State (14982)	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance, State	4,752.03
Old Age Assistance, Federal	2,124.10
Old Age Assistance, other towns	1,080.70
Old Age Meal Tax	343.69
Aid Dependent Children, State	919.86
Aid Dependent Children, Federal	1,458.57
Disability Aid	271.01
Veterans' Service	239.83
School Aid, Chapter 70	5,610.61
State Tax, Chapter 70	390.00
School Transportation	6,505.60
Vocational Education	564.07
School Superintendent	739.99
Child Guardianship, tuition	447.55
Loss of taxes	9,034.01
Reimbursement, State share new school	5,008.54

School Lunch Program	\$ 1,067.45
Commonwealth of Mass., reimburse school lunch	366.68
Income tax	150.00
Reimbursement for ad	2.79
Dog License refund, county	116.99
Dog License	145.80
Inspector of Animals	17.50
Reimbursement fire fighting equipment	69.68
City of Pittsfield, taxes	3,055.00
District Court	60.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	2.00
Corporation tax	720.00
Reimbursement for fence posts	25.00
Interest on savings	30.16
Interest Day Trust Co.	1.86
Refund on Insurance	16.02
Sale of Monarch Tractor	200.00
Day Trust Company Highway Loan Chapter 81	14,300.00
Day Trust Company, Equipment loan, (loader)	5,000.00
Day Trust Company, Chapter 90 loan	21,000.00
Day Trust Co., additional Chap. 90 loan	5,090.00
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	\$136,549.69
Total Receipts for year 1954	<hr/> \$196,885.25

EXPENDITURES

Selectmen's orders	\$76,298.84	
School	21,105.07	
Collector of Internal Revenue	2,157.30	
Berkshire County Retirement	573.90	
School Lunch	1,266.80	
Division of Fisheries and Game	280.50	
Tax Refunds	228.59	
Dog License	145.80	
County tax	846.28	
Berkshire County Mosquito control	136.32	
State Parks	51.76	
State Audit	200.81	
Highway Loan, Chapter 81	18,500.00	
Highway Loan, Chapter 90 Construction	21,000.00	
Payment on new school	5,000.00	
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Total Expenditures		\$147,791.97
Pittsfield National Bank checking account	\$36,957.43	
Cash on hand	5,855.33	
Berkshire County Savings Bank	1,280.52	
Day Trust Co.	5,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$49,093.28

PITTSFIELD NATIONAL BANK

Balance Dec. 31, 1954 as per statement		\$64,751.66
Balance as per check book Dec. 31, 1954	\$36,957.43	
Outstanding checks as per list Dec. 31, 1954	27,794.23	
	<hr/>	\$64,751.66

DAY TRUST COMPANY

Balance Dec. 31, 1954 as per statement	\$5,000.00
Balance as per check book, Dec. 31, 1954	\$5,000.00

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,
Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Dog Licenses

Male, 40 at \$2.00	\$80.00
Female, 9 at \$5.00	45.00
Spayed female, 17 at \$2.00	34.00

 \$159.00

Fees retained	13.20
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Paid Treasurer	\$145.80
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Sporting Licenses

Resident citizen's

Fishing,	15 at \$3.25	\$ 48.75
Hunting,	22 at 3.25	71.50
Sporting,	4 at 5.25	21.00
Minor Fishing	3 at 1.25	3.75
Female Fishing	5 at 2.25	11.25

Non-Resident

3-day fishing	1 at 2.75	2.75
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Non-Resident

Hunting	5 at 15.25	76.25
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 \$235.25

Fees retained	13.75
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Paid Treasurer	\$221.50
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1953

Deaths

Feb.	17	Myron Ward, age 80
March	29	John G. Klemens, age 75
April	3	Margaret Anderson, age 79
April	25	Alice Redding Mullen, age 78
May	29	Michael Smithkowski, age 70
June	2	Horace Greenley Royal, age 91
July	4	John Mulcahy, age 73
July	7	Marie Pettinelli Petersante, age 88
July	23	Clayton Grover, age 80
Aug.	7	Fred Hill, age 82
Sept.	13	Anna Marie Peer, age 46
Sept.	27	Frederick King, age 79

Marriages

July	24	Joseph Francis Lynch and Margaret Ellen Rock
Aug.	28	Richard George Burnham and Delores Mary Simmons

Births

May	26	Joseph Charles Rock, son of James Rock and Evelyn Leighton Rock
July	17	Anne Marie O'Brien, daughter of Norman T. O'Brien and Bernice M. Newton O'Brien
Sept.	13	Linda Marie Levernoch, daughter of Erwin Levernoch and Mary Alice Carrington Levernoch
Oct.	21	Andrew Earl Methe, son of Andrew I. Methe and Mary Jane Rock Methe
Nov.	19	Susan Marie Eames, daughter of Allen S. Eames and Marie Ann Campbell Eames

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,
Town Clerk.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

1954 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriation to be raised by taxation			\$49,517.18
Total appropriation voted from available funds:			
In 1954	\$ 4,470.19		
In 1953 since fixing 1953 tax rate	2,699.14		
Total from available funds		7,169.33	
			\$56,686.51
Chapter 44 Section 16			5,000.00
State: Tax and assessments	1954	1953	
State Parks and Reservations	\$ 51.96	\$11.56	
State Audit, Municipal Accounts	200.81		
Mosquito Control	135.42		
	\$388.19	\$11.56	399.75
County: Tax and assessments			
County Tax	\$795.33	\$14.84	810.17
Overlay of current year			548.01
Gross Amount to be raised			63,444.44
Estimated receipts:			
Income tax	\$6,128.98		
Corporation tax	779.81		
Reimbursement on public land	8,783.16		
Old Age Tax (Meals)	263.72		
Motor Vehicle Excise	1,200.00		
Licenses	600.00		
Protection, persons and property	25.00		
Charities	2,200.00		
Old Age Assistance	8,125.00		
Schools	4,400.00		
Interest on taxes	50.00		
City of Pittsfield,			
Chapter 375 Acts 1954	3,055.00		
Total estimated receipts			\$35,610.67

Amounts taken from available funds:

Appropriations voted:

9- 4-53	\$2,559.14
12-30-53	140.00
2-13-54	3,372.69
3-27-54	1,097.50

Total available funds	\$7,169.33
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Total estimated receipts and available funds	\$42,780.00
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Net Amount to be raised by taxation	\$20,664.44
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Polls: Number 74	Tax—	\$ 148.00
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Property:

Personal: Value—	\$ 4,314.00	Tax—	\$ 2,891.98
Real Estate Value—	251,778.00	Tax—	17,624.46

\$293,092.00

Total taxes levied on polls and property	\$20,664.44
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1954 TABLE OF AGGREGATES

<i>Number of Persons Assessed</i>	<i>Individuals</i>	<i>All Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
On Personal estate only	11	2	13
On Real Estate only	80	5	85
On both personal and real estate	43	1	44
Total number of persons assessed			142
Total number of polls assessed			74

Value of assessed personal estate:

Stock in trade	\$ 2,050.00
Machinery	29,070.00
Live stock	4,704.00
All other tangible personal property	5,490.00

Total value assessed personal estate	\$41,314.00
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Value of assessed real estate:	
Land exclusive of buildings	\$ 65,297.00
Buildings exclusive of land	186,481.00
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Total value of assessed real estate	\$251,778.00
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Total valuation of assessed estate:	\$293,092.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000.00—\$70.00	
Taxes, including overlay:	
On personal estate	\$ 2,891.98
On real estate	17,624.46
On polls	148.00
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Total taxes assessed	\$20,664.44
Number of live stock assessed:	
Horses	9
Neat cattle	63
Sheep	21
Fowl	554
All others	19
Number of acres of land assessed:	8,537.01
Number of dwelling houses assessed:	95
Number of motor vehicles assessed:	110
Motor vehicle taxes levied	\$2,148.15

FRED T. HANSEN, JR.
 EMIL SCHULZE
 CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS

Assessors of Washington

1954 TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1950 Taxes

Outstanding accord-	Collected in 1954 and	
ing to 1953 Town	paid Treasurer	\$1.74
Report		\$1.74

1950 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$3.26

1951 Property and Poll Taxes

Pd. Treas. in 1951		Real Estate warrant	\$11,378.96
pd. taxes	\$11,270.10	Personal tax warrant	1,948.34
Abated, 1951			
prop. tax	145.00		
Pd. Treas. 1951		Poll tax	148.00
poll taxes	104.00		
Abated poll taxes	22.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1952			
poll taxes	20.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1954			
poll tax	2.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1952			
prop. taxes	1,429.78		
Pd. Treas. in 1953			
prop. taxes	331.08		
Pd. Treas. in 1954			
prop. taxes	20.84		
Uncollected	130.50		
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	\$13,475.30		\$13,475.30

1951 Excise Taxes

Pd. Treas. in 1951	\$ 1,119.41	1951 excise warrants	\$ 1,481.67
Abated in 1951	25.37	Additional warrant in	
Pd. Treas. in 1952	299.65	1952	89.16
Abated in 1952	31.04		
Pd. Treas. in 1953	24.52		
Pd. Treas. in 1954	70.84		
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	\$1,570.83		\$1,570.83

1951 interest collected and paid Treasurer \$15.75

1952 Property and Poll Taxes

Pd. Treas. in 1952		Real estate warrant	\$11,086.70
prop. taxes	\$11,167.73	Personal tax warrant	2,183.93
Abated and refunded	171.00	Poll tax warrant	136.00
Abated	28.50		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes	104.00		
Poll taxes abated	10.00		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes			
in 1953	18.00		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes			
in 1954	4.00		
Abated prop. tax in			
1953	31.35		
Pd. Treas. prop. taxes			
in 1953	1,514.18		
Pd. Treas. prop. taxes			
in 1954	157.05		
Uncollected	200.82		
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	\$13,406.63		\$13,406.63

1952 Excise Taxes

Pd. Treas. in 1952	\$ 874.86	Excise warrant	\$1,583.75
Abated and refunded	12.48	Additional warrant	101.40
Abated	25.51		
Abated in 1952	4.82		
Collected and pd. Treas.			
in 1953	634.02		
Abated in 1953	71.98		
Collected and paid			
Treas. in 1954	61.48		
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	\$1,685.15		\$1,685.15

1952 interest collected and paid Treasurer \$15.03

1953 Poll and Property Taxes

Pd. Treas. real estate taxes		Real estate warrant	\$15,875.09
	\$10,686.57	Personal tax warrant	1,458.40
Abated real estate taxes	59.36	Poll tax	128.00
Abated in 1954 and refunded	141.60		
Abated in 1954	8.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1954 prop. taxes	3,890.60		
Uncollected real estate taxes	1,088.96		
Pd. Treas. personal taxes in 1953	1,059.52		
Pd. Treas. per. taxes in 1954	229.98		
Uncollected per. taxes	168.90		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes in 1953	94.00		
Abated and refunded	2.00		
Collected poll tax in 1954	22.00		
Abated in 1954 poll taxes	4.00		
Uncollected poll taxes	6.00		
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	\$17,461.49		\$17,461.49

1953 Excise Taxes

Paid Treas. in 1953	\$ 768.55	Warrant	\$1,419.76
Abated in 1953	7.97	Additional warrant	
Abated in 1954	27.09	in 1954	454.09
Paid Treas. in 1954	986.49		
Uncollected	83.75		
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	\$1,873.85		\$1,873.85

1954 interest collected and paid Treasurer in 1954 \$119.48

1954 Poll and Property Tax

Pd. Treas. real estate taxes	\$13,203.63	Real estate warrant	\$17,624.46
Abated real estate	62.09	Additional warrant	30.73
Abated, refunded, re-assessed, uncollected	30.73	Personal tax warrant	2,891.98
Uncollected	4,358.74	Poll tax warrant	150.00
Pd. Treas. personal taxes	2,309.86		
Uncollected	582.12		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes	102.00		
Abated poll taxes	20.00		
Uncollected poll taxes	28.00		
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	\$20,697.17		\$20,697.17

1954 Excise Taxes

Collected pd. Treas.	\$1,597.86	Excise warrants	\$2,148.15
Collected and refunded	20.69		
Abated	31.26		
Uncollected	498.34		
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	\$2,148.15		\$2,148.15

1954 interest collected and paid Treasurer \$12.81

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE E. SCHULZE

Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF THE EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Agent's report to the Town of Washington:

The Eastern Berkshire Welfare District, comprised of the Towns of Hinsdale, Peru, Washington and Becket has been in operation since July, 1951.

The Town of Washington, within this District, began the year of 1954 with six cases on Old Age Assistance; one on Disability Assistance and two on Aid to Dependent Children, and closed the year with no Disability Assistance cases, five on Old Age Assistance and three on Aid to Dependent Children.

\$585.95 was spent on General Relief Assistance. Part of this money aided a Worcester case which had a military settlement in the Town of Washington.

A new medical plan went into effect in July 1 of this year, which has increased the paper work considerably and which has stated direct policies which must be adhered to in order to receive maximum reimbursement in each town. All medical care must receive prior authorization; fees are set by the State for dentist calls, doctors calls, and the cost per day for hospitalization, as well as out patient or clinic fees in the hospitals.

The cost per day for hospitalization will be increased on January 1, 1955, but latest reports indicate the increase will be appreciably lower than estimated costs had been quoted during earlier months.

Application for Aid may be made to a member of the Board of Public Welfare or direct to the Agent. From time to time it has been my policy to consult with the Board through one of its members regarding special services to specific cases; to administer assistance and to apply the law, and the policies of the State and Town.

Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children and Disability Assistance programs receive reimbursements for the Federal and State government and are paid on a basis of claims presented monthly subject to a later audit. Payments are received two months later, therefore reimbursements and expenditures can never match month for month in the fiscal year.

The year's financial report of the District shows the Town of Washington's appropriation and reimbursements using percentages according to the case load. New percentages are figured every six months, thus taking into consideration the change in the case load in each town.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen and to Mrs. Simmons for her cooperation, and also to the townspeople who have shown their interest and cooperation in the Assistance Program.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE H. EAMES,

Agent.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$10,000.00
Received from cancelled check	96.10
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	\$10,096.10
Expenditures from appropriation	7,911.94
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Balance returned to Town General Funds	2,184.16
Federal Grant balance 1/1/54	.29
Federal Grants received	\$2,124.10
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	\$2,124.39
Expenditures from Federal Grant	564.60
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Balance carried forward to 1/1/55	\$1,559.79
Receipts:	
Other towns	\$1,080.70
Commonwealth	4,761.03
Recovery under OAA lien Law	4.50

These amounts will be credited to the Town Surplus Revenue Account and will be used by the Assessors in determining the 1955 tax rate.

Actual cost to the Town for Old Age Assistance after receipt of Federal and State reimbursement have been deducted for 1954 was \$1,600.12.

Estimated Federal Reimbursements	\$350.00
Estimated State Reimbursements	615.54

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	\$2,500.00
Special appropriation	500.00

\$3,000.00

Expenditures from appropriation	2,880.91
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This amount to be returned to General Funds	\$ 119.10
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Federal Grant balance 1/1/54	677.50
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Received in Federal Grants	\$1,458.57
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\$2,136.07

Expenditures from Federal Grants	1,526.15
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Federal Grant balance 1/1/55	\$ 609.92
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Received from Commonwealth	\$ 919.86
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Estimated Federal Reimbursement	356.85
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Estimated State Reimbursement	290.74
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Cost to Town for 1954 minus Federal and	
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State Reimbursements	\$2,028.63
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DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$500.00
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Expenditures from appropriation	361.35
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Balance to be returned to Town General Funds	\$138.65
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Federal Grants received	54.24
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Received from Commonwealth	216.77
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Actual cost to Town after Federal and	
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State Reimbursements received	\$ 90.35
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GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$500.00
Transferred from Reserve	85.95
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	\$585.95
Expenditures	
Town Cases	\$305.95
Other Towns	280.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/54	\$14.93
Expenditures	none
Balance carried forward to 1/1/55	\$14.93

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/54	\$10.35
Expenditures	none
Balance carried forward to 1/1/55	\$10.35

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriations	\$300.00
Expenditures	\$300.00
Balance	none

Appropriation for Prudential Committee Members

Appropriations	\$65.00
Expenditures	\$65.00
Balance	none

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES 1954

	District	Hinsdale	Becket	Peru	Washington
On hand 1/1/54	\$ 384.65	\$ 47.25	\$ 179.19	\$ 177.66	def.—\$19.45
Reimbursement	7441.01	4222.43	2124.64	546.97	546.97
Paid in by towns	3800.00	2200.00	1000.00	300.00	300.00
Refund	21.75	11.99	6.46	1.65	1.65
Total	11,647.41	6481.67	3310.29	1026.28	848.62
Warrants (paid out)	9867.90	5591.31	2823.35	726.62	def.—19.45
					829.17
					726.62
Balance 1/1/55	1779.51	890.36	486.94	299.66	102.55
Net operating expense 1954	2405.24	1356.89	692.25	178.00	178.00
Percent of Case Load:					
1/1/54 to 6/30/54		55.1	29.7	7.6	7.6
1/1/54 to 12/31/54		58.4	27.4	7.1	7.1
1/1/55 to 6/30/55		56.6	31.0	5.3	7.1

BUDGET FOR 1955

Salaries	\$8,860.00
Agent's Travel Expense	500.00
Rent	600.00
Postage	250.00
Telephone	250.00
Electricity	50.00
Janitor	100.00
Retirement Fund	440.00
Bonds	15.00
Heat	150.00
Miscellaneous	85.00
Office Supplies	200.00
Office Equipment	600.00

 \$12,100.00

1955 Budget \$12,100.00

State Reimbursement \$4,033.00

Federal Reimbursement 4,712.00

 Total 8,745.00

 Net cost to towns \$3,355.00

Hinsdale 56.6 \$1,898.93

Becket 31.0 1,040.05

Peru 5.3 177.82

Washington 7.1 238.20

 Total \$3,355.00

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation	\$20,525.00
Appropriation	700.00
Total Appropriation	<hr/> \$21,225.00

Stella D. Wilkie, teacher	\$2,470.00
Mrs. A. Ray Kimball, teacher	2,470.00
Mrs. Dorothy Lyman, substitute	8.00
Mrs. Harry Madigan, Jr., art teacher	300.00
John Roberts, music teacher	120.00
Mass. Audubon Society, nature teacher	119.38
Earl C. Sutor, Superintendent	1,235.07
Massachusetts Retirement Board	325.01
Superintendent's expenses	207.42
Textbooks	235.58
Stationery and supplies	280.14
Janitor	750.00
Fuel	1,330.72
Light and Telephone	355.99
Repairs	36.55
Health	95.00
Local transportation	2,184.80
High School transportation	4,306.20
Elementary tuition	415.76
High School tuition	2,847.69
Vocational tuition	572.00
Miscellaneous	62.58
New Equipment	197.20
All others	179.98

Total Expenditures	\$21,105.07
Unexpended balance	\$119.93

EDITH S. WAGNER, *Chairman-Secretary*
 JAMES S. BROWN
 ALEXANDER G. JARVIE

School Committee

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Washington:

Herewith is submitted my tenth annual report as Superintendent of your school.

The child in the rural school with several grades in a room and one teacher has certain advantages which are sometimes not appreciated. The necessity of independent work, the opportunity to help others, the varied activities going on at the same time sometimes in review and sometimes in preview are all with some beneficial effect for most of the pupils.

In the Washington School we hope we are making the best of the above situation and have provided for broadening these offerings and filling in certain additional values which such a situation lacks. Mrs. Madigan comes once a week and furnishes art instruction. A teacher of nature also has added much to the curriculum. The latest addition is our music supervisor, Mr. Roberts. After only four months, the Christmas program showed definite gains in this required subject.

NEW EQUIPMENT

A new vacuum cleaner of institutional size was purchased at an exceptionally low price. A new power lawn mower was also obtained. These items were anticipated and provided for in the 1954 budget. A sound motion picture projector was purchased using funds realized by the sale of articles from the old school.

SCHOOL LUNCH:

The ladies who plan, prepare, and serve the school lunch should receive a hearty thanks. This volunteer labor is greatly appreciated and is providing an excellent noon lunch so beneficial to the youngsters. The State and Federal reimbursement and the commodities they furnish have made the price for this lunch so low and yet made it possible to purchase a deep freeze from this account. The amount and kind of commodity varies—we have missed the hamburg this year.

FINANCES:

Many of the items of the 1955 Budget are about the same as last year. Amounts for repairs, School Committee, and new equipment have been omitted. Elementary tuition is also omitted because of the policy inaugurated last spring of having all elementary pupils attend the new school. Even with the omission of the items listed above, and keeping the classroom teachers' salaries at \$2600, a recognized low for conscientious, experienced teachers, the total costs are up chiefly due to the increase in the item for high school tuition which is up \$1800. The committee has no control over this item. It must also be borne in mind that certain operational costs which are included in this budget cover community use of the building.

The State reimburses the Town of Washington about 60% of the total cost but with increased costs it is even more obvious that some source of relief for the real estate taxpayer is needed. The most practical relief is to use the wider tax base of the state and increase state aid for education.

CONCLUSION:

In conclusion I should like to commend and thank all who have worked and contributed to the vital task of the education of the children of Washington.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL C. SUITOR,

Superintendent of Schools

Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1954

Expenditures	\$21,105.07
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Receipts:

Reimbursements from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
Chapter 70 as amended—School Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	739.99
All School Transportation	6,505.60
Vocational Tuition and Transportation	564.07
State Ward Tuition and Transportation	447.55

Total Receipts	\$13,936.82
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Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the Support of Schools for 1954	\$7,168.25
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Budget for 1955

Teachers' Salaries	\$ 5,875.00
Textbooks	150.00
Supplies for Instruction	150.00
Janitor	750.00
Fuel	1,000.00
Lights, Power and Telephone	350.00
Health	100.00
Transportation	6,600.00
High School Tuition	5,300.00
Operating Expenses	150.00
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	1,450.00
All Others	25.00

Total Budget for 1955	\$21,900.00
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1955

Budget for 1955	\$21,900.00
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Estimated Receipts

Chapter 70—State Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	739.99
All School Transportation	6,120.00
State Ward Tuition and Transportation	540.00
Vocational Tuition and Transportation	220.00

Total Estimated Receipts	\$13,299.60
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the Support of Schools for 1955	\$8,600.40
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Membership October 1, 1954

High School Enrollment

Dalton High School	7
Pittsfield High School	3
Pittsfield Vocational School	2
South Junior High School	4
Private School	1

Total High School	17
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Elementary School Enrollment

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Mrs. Wilkie					3	3	9	5	20
Mrs. Kimball	3	7	6	6					22

Total Washington School Enrollment	42
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At Home	1
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Becket	1
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Total Elementary School Enrollment	44
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Total School Enrollment	61
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Graduates—1954**Washington Elementary School**

Sheila Bell
Christine Gallant
John Gardner

Sandra Madigan
Shirley Wagner
Ronald Wood

School Calendar—1954-1955

Sept.	School begins September 8	17 days
Oct.	No school October 12, 22 (convention)	19 days
Nov.	No school November 11, 24 P. M., 25, 26	19 days
Dec.	Schools closes December 22	16 days
Jan.	School opens January 3	21 days
Feb.	Vacation February 19-27, inclusive	15 days
March		23 days
April	No school April 8. Vacation April 16-24	15 days
May	No school May 30	21 days
June	School closes June 10	8 days
Total days		174 days

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Earl C. Suitor
Superintendent of Schools
Washington, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Suitor:

I submit the following report for the Washington School.

On November 4, 1954, physical examinations were given to all grades by Dr. George Briet of Becket. The following defects were found:

Dental cases	12
Ear cases	2
Enlarged tonsils	3

On December 2, 1954, the Audiometer test was given to all grades.

Hearing poor	2	
Retested	2	1 poor

Thanking all for their cooperation,

Sincerely,

ROSE K. CONLEY, R.N.
School Nurse

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR—1954

Mr. Earl C. Suitor
Superintendent of Schools
Washington, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Suitor:

It is my purpose during the coming year to give the children of the town of Washington as an enjoyable, diversified, and worthwhile music program as is possible. Many years ago a music curriculum meant singing only—today it embraces many outlets—such as rhythm bands, pre-band instruments, folk dancing, singing games, rote singing, learning to read music notation, music appreciation, public performances, etc.

New books have been purchased for classroom use—"Happy Singing" for grades 1 to 4, and "Music in the Air" for grades 5 to 8. These books were compiled especially for the type of school existing in Washington.

The children of the lower grades have put to good use the rhythm band instruments purchased by Mrs. Kimball. Other basic instruments such as tambourines, drums and Latin-American types, should be added.

Mrs. Wilkie has done some fine work with her class in helping them to learn their song flutes. These instruments, which are not toys, should advance their musical learning considerably.

I would like to recommend a simple, compact, light-weight record player for class use. Records, too, should be purchased annually to form a permanent library.

I wish to thank the teachers for their cooperation.

Sincerely,

JOHN ROBERTS,
Supervisor of Music

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Balance Sheet—December 18, 1954

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash		Temporary Loans:	\$40,300.00
Accounts Receivable:		In Anticipation of Reimbursement	
Taxes:		Payroll Deductions:	
Levy of 1951:		Federal Taxes	\$461.70
Personal Property	\$72.79	County Retirement System	8.74
Real Estate	57.71		470.44
		Surplus War Bonus Fund	138.41
Levy of 1952:		Federal Grants:	
Personal Property	\$67.26	Disability Assistance:	\$ 54.24
Real Estate	133.56	Aid to Dependent Children:	
		Aid	609.92
Levy of 1953:		Administration	10.35
Poll	\$ 10.00	Old Age Assistance:	
Personal Property	205.38	Assistance	1,559.79
Real Estate	1,284.48	Administration	14.93
			2,249.23
Levy of 1954:		School Lunch Program	156.99
Poll	\$ 38.00	Appropriation Balances:	
Personal Property	598.22	Revenue:	
Real Estate	4,837.14	General	\$11,960.12
		Non-Revenue:	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		School Construction	1.64
Levy of 1951	\$ 28.25		
Levy of 1953	136.17		
Levy of 1954	883.24		
			11,961.76

Departmental:

Aid to Dependent Children \$ 730.21
 Old Age Assistance 1,536.20

2,266.41

Aid to Highways:

State

6,200.00

Underestimates 1954:

County Tax \$50.95
 Mosquito Control Assessment .90

51.85

\$87,632.80

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:

Inside Debt Limit:

General

\$ 5,000.00

Outside Debt Limit:

General

76,000.00

\$81,000.00

Serial Loans:

Inside Debt Limit:

Departmental Equipment

\$ 5,000.00

Outside Debt Limit:

School Construction

76,000.00

\$81,000.00

Overestimates 1954:

State Parks and Reservations

Assessment

.20

Sale of Real Estate Fund

1,000.00

Road Machinery Fund

3,441.35

Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus

1,440.36

Overlays Reserved for Abatements:

\$

Levy of 1951

130.50

Levy of 1952

200.82

Levy of 1953

1,111.92

Levy of 1954

465.92

1,909.16

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer

\$1,047.66

Excise

2,266.41

Departmental

3,314.07

Surplus Revenue:

Current Year

\$ 3,274.95

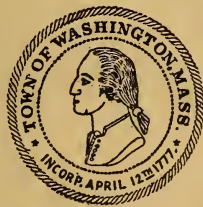
Prior Years

17,975.88

21,250.83

\$87,632.80

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
WASHINGTON
AND
SCHOOL COMMITTEE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1955

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For the Year Ending
DECEMBER 31, 1955

Eagle Printing and Binding Company
Pittsfield, Mass.

TOWN WARRANT**February 11, 1956**

Polls will open at 12 noon and may close at 6 P. M. Business meeting will open at 8 P. M.

Art. 1—To bring in and cast their vote by ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Tree Warden, one Tax Collector, one Auditor, all for one year; one School Committeeman, two Assessors and one Selectman, all for three years.

Art. 2—To see if the Selectmen shall be an agent for the Town in defense of any suits for and in behalf of the Town and to adjust all claims for damage against the Town and to choose an agent or pass any vote thereon.

Art. 3—To hear and act on the reports of the School Committee and the Superintendent and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,812.00 or any other sum for the operation of schools or take any vote in relation thereto.

Art. 4—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue for the financial year, beginning January 1, 1956 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew a note or notes as may be given for a period less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws; also temporary loans under provision of Section 6A, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Art. 5—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Eden Glen Pond.

Art. 6—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for expenses of Tree Warden or take any action relating thereto.

Art. 7—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$735.95 for Pension Fund and Expense Fund as required by the Berkshire County Retirement Board and ordered by the Berkshire County Commissioners.

Art. 8—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 or any other sum for the control of the Dutch Elm Disease.

Art. 9—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$95.00 for Gypsy Moth Control as required by the General Laws, Chapter 600 (Section II, Acts of 1918).

Art. 10—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,656.21 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account, \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay notes on Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor, and \$61.25 on interest due on its notes in 1956.

Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of their members as a member of the Judiciary Committee of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District and raise and appropriate the sum of \$65.00 for his services for the year 1956.

Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to pay its portion of the administration and equipment expense of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District.

Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended. All salaries to be effective as of January 1, 1956.

Town Clerk	\$100.00	Clerk Assessors	\$60.00
Town Treasurer	150.00	3rd member Assessors	50.00
Tax Collector	150.00	4th member Assessors	50.00

Auditor	\$ 25.00	5th member Assessors	\$50.00
Chairman Selectmen	150.00	Tree Warden	25.00
2nd member Selectmen	50.00	Chairman School Com.	10.00
3rd member Selectmen	50.00	Clerk School Com.	50.00
Chairman Assessors	50.00	3rd member Sch. Com.	10.00

Art. 15—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the following purposes and pass any vote relating thereto. (Selectmen's recommendations) Maintenance of Highways, Chapter 81, \$795.00; Chapter 90, Pittsfield Road, \$1,000.00; Chapter 90 Maintenance \$1,000.00; Snow Removal, \$2,500.00; Bridges, \$200.00; Appointed Officers, \$100.00; Miscellaneous, \$700.00; Town Officers, \$1,050.00; Officers' Bonds, \$60.00; Discount on notes, \$500.00; Forest Warden, \$100.00; Old Age Assistance, \$6,000.00; Aid to Dependent Children, \$2,500.00; General Relief, \$500.00; Cemeteries, \$200.00; Insurance on Buildings, \$1,000.00; Civil Defense, \$50.00; Becket Fire Department, \$500.00; Becket Firemen, \$100.00; Veterans' Aid, \$2,000.00; Board of Health, \$50.00; Workmen's Compensation, \$1,300.00; Disability Aid, \$100.00.

Art. 16—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be used by its Board of Health when needed towards the care and hospitalization of infants weighing five pounds or less at birth, in accordance with Section 3, Chapter 3 of the General Laws as amended, (Chapter 601, Acts of 1949).

Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to pay the Town of Becket for use of its Town Dump.

Art. 18—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to pay the salaries of the Auditor and Tree Warden remaining unpaid in 1955 and classified as old bills.

Art. 19—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for extra janitor services in auditorium of Elementary School Building.

Art. 20—To see if the Town will vote to create a special unpaid committee to be known as a regional school district planning committee, to consist of three members, including one member of the School Committee, to be appointed by the Moderator in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as amended; and that there be raised and appropriated for the use of said committee the sum of \$100.00.

Art. 21—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00, in connection with Chapter 90 Maintenance, to be used toward the completion of the western end of Frost Rd., provided the County and State each supply a like amount for that purpose.

Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to have non-political caucuses for the purpose of nominating candidates to be voted for at any election of town officers for which official ballots are used, in accordance with Chapter 53 of the General Laws, Section 117 to Section 121 inclusive.

Art. 23—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to make necessary repairs to the Town's elementary school building.

Art. 24—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Sons and Daughters of Washington Reunion.

Art. 25—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to have a zoning by-law prepared by competent counsel which would prevent undesirable buildings and uses of land in this Town and raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for that purpose.

Art. 26—To see if the Town will appropriate the sums of \$5,000.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to pay school note due September 1, 1956 and \$1,704.00 to pay 1956 interest on remaining school notes.

Art. 27—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purpose of adding a room to the new school building on the western end of the town office for the purpose of storing town records therein, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by transfer from the proceeds received from the sale of the old schoolhouse.

Art. 28—To choose all other Town Officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot: Field Drivers, Pound Keeper, Fence Viewers, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Bark, Sexton and Constables.

TOWN OFFICERS IN 1955

MODERATOR

Harry C. Shaw

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

C. A. R. Simmons

SELECTMEN

Harry C. Shaw, Chairman

Term expires 1955

Emil Schulze

Term expires 1956

C. A. R. Simmons

Term expires 1957

ASSESSORS

C. A. R. Simmons

Term expires 1955

Alexander G. Jarvie

Term expires 1955

Emil Schulze, Chairman

Term expires 1957

James S. Brown

Term expires 1957

Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Clerk

Term expires 1956

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Edith S. Wagner, Chairman

Term expires 1956

James S. Brown

Term expires 1957

Allen S. Eames

Term expires 1955

TREE WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

AUDITOR AND TAX COLLECTOR

Marguerite E. Schulze

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

APPOINTEES

FOREST WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Joseph N. Blotz

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Ernest F. Schulze

Joseph N. Blotz

FIELD DRIVERS

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

C. A. R. Simmons

Emil Schulze

POUND KEEPER

C. A. R. Simmons

CONSTABLES

Walter Beckwith

Harold Klein

Amos E. Gallant

C. A. R. Simmons

James S. Brown

Philip Bohrer

Henry E. Rock

Andrew Methe

Roy Simmons

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Philip Bohrer

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER

Philip Bohrer

FENCE VIEWERS

John Campbell, Sr.

Carl H. Peer

Philip Bohrer

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Amos E. Gallant

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Roland Daigle

INSPECTOR OF ELECTRIC WIRING

Allen Eames

DOG TAX OFFICER

Zigmund Zaleski

CHIEF OF POLICE

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

FIRE CHIEF

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

VETERANS' AGENT

Andrew I. Methe

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

1955 APPROPRIATIONS

School	\$21,900.00
Eden Glen Pond	50.00
Tree Warden expense	50.00
Berkshire County Retirement Board	679.19
Dutch Elm Disease	50.00
Gypsy Moth	95.00
Tax Titles	36.00
Judiciary Agent, East. Berk. Welfare Dist.	65.00
Eastern Berk. Welfare Dist.	225.00
Chapter 81	780.00
Chapter 90, Pittsfield Road	1,000.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	1,000.00
Snow Removal	2,500.00
Bridges	400.00
Appointed Officers	100.00
Miscellaneous	700.00
Town Officers	1,050.00
Officers' Bonds	50.00
Discount on notes	2,300.00
Forest Warden	100.00
Old Age Assistance	8,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	2,500.00
General Relief	500.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Becket Firemen	100.00
Becket Fire Dept.	500.00
Insurance on Buildings	1,000.00
Civil Defense	200.00
Veterans' Aid	1,500.00
Board of Health	50.00
Workmen's Compensation	600.00
Disability Aid	300.00
Board of Health (care of infants)	100.00
Town of Becket (Town dump)	25.00
Sons' and Daughters' Reunion	25.00

 \$48,730.19

- Art. 10—Voted to appropriate \$3,441.35 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account.
- Art. 14—Voted to appropriate \$300.00 from Overlay Surplus to Reserve Account.
- Art. 17—Voted to appropriate \$1,000.00 from available surplus funds in treasury to make necessary repairs to school building.
- Art. 22—Voted to appropriate \$244.00 from available surplus funds in treasury to pay balance due on Forestry hose and box strainer.
- Art. 21—Voted to transfer \$14.93 in Old Age Assistance Administration Account and \$10.35 in Aid to Dependent Administration Account to the administration and equipment expense account of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District.

CHAPTER 90, PITTSFIELD ROAD

Carried over from 1954	\$ 1,822.07
State	8,000.00
County	4,000.00
Town	1,000.00
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Total Available	\$14,822.07

Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$1,054.40
Amos Gallant, pickup	395.40
Roy Simmons, operator	787.20
Roy Simmons, labor	186.53
Emil Schulze, labor	857.50
Edward Gallant, operator	12.80
Edward Gallant, labor	392.50
E. W. Gallant, labor	42.50
Walter Beckwith, labor	671.25
Town of Washington, loader	1,220.20
Town of Washington, brush saw	3.00
Town of Washington, rake	9.00
Town of Becket, rake	4.00
Town of Becket, bulldozer	1,135.00

Town of Becket, spreader	\$ 16.00
Town of Becket, grader	126.00
Town of Tyringham, scraper	1.60
George Burnham, power saw	12.00
Fred Connor, bulldozer operator	432.40
Fred Connor, truck	274.13
Joseph Furlong, truck	1,283.50
Berkshire Mill Supply, 3 T C. chloride	99.12
John Cadwell, operator	22.20
Fred Strout, labor	20.00
Fred Munn, operator	25.60
Fred Munn, truck	223.13
Alfred Dean, labor	20.00
Berkshire Gravel, $\frac{3}{8}$ stone and sand	392.83
Edward Murray, truck	369.95
Edward Murray, operator	12.80
Town of Blandford, grader	72.00
Harry Dupont, cperator	313.60
Carl Sternagle, 94 ft. boards	14.10
Peer Bros., compressor	498.75
Peer Bros., truck	420.75
Peer Bros., bits (610)	102.09
Northern Exp. Co., dynamite and caps	330.35
Conrad Arndt, back hoe	84.00
Eastern Equipment Sales, carbide bits	26.25
L. P. Adams, 2 rolls barb. wire	19.50
L. P. Adams, 26 bags cement	35.10
L. P. Adams, bolts and nuts	.68
John's Building Supply, 66 blocks	16.31
N. E. Metal Culvert, 85 posts	238.00
N. E. Metal Culvert, 70 ft. culvert, 3 coup.	188.87
Wm. Engwer, truck	170.00
Becket Gen. Store, 60 gal. kero.	12.00
Wm. Murray, operator	12.80
M. Murray, labor	10.00
Frances Brown, 2,140 yd. gravel	214.00
Claude Goodell, truck	38.50

Burton Dean, labor	\$ 7.50
Leona Fassell, 550 yd. gravel	55.00
American Tar Co., 8,337 gal. tar	1,740.26
Hutchinson Gravel Co., Clyde Roller	97.50

Total Expended	\$14,820.45
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Unexpended	\$ 1.62
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CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE

Town appropriation	\$1,000.00
State	1,000.00
County	1,000.00
Reserve	.23
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	\$3,000.23

Amos Gallant, supt.	\$ 76.80
Amos Gallant, pickup	28.80
Joseph Furlong, truck	314.50
Roy Simmons, operator	38.40
Roy Simmons, labor	30.00
Edw. Gallant, labor	30.00
Emil Schulze, labor	60.00
Walter Beckwith, labor	58.75
Fred Munn, operator	38.40
Roy Gordon, operator	25.60
F. Strout, labor	20.00
Town of Washington, loader	70.00
Town of Becket, spreader	24.00
W. Tyron, truck and hone	92.00
F. Connor, truck	102.00
American Tar. Co., 6,778 gal. Mc3 tar	1,195.64
American Tar Co., 2,052, gal. Mc5 tar	361.97
Berkshire Gravel, 234.25 $\frac{3}{8}$ stone	433.37
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	\$3,000.23

CHAPTER 90, CONSTRUCTION
SPECIAL COUNTY CONTRIBUTION

County		\$1,000.00
Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$ 64.00	
F. Connor, operator, bulldozer	64.00	
W. Beckwith, labor	45.00	
Amos Gallant, pickup	24.00	
Town of Washington, loader	154.00	
Town of Becket, bulldozer	140.00	
F. Connor, truck	102.00	
F. Munn, truck	68.00	
E. Murray, truck	170.00	
W. Engwer, truck	170.00	
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Total Expended	\$1,001.00	
Transferred from reserve		\$1.00
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		\$1,001.00

CHAPTER 81

Town Appropriation	\$ 795.00
State Appropriation	14,575.00
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Total Available	\$15,370.00
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Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$1,486.40
Amos Gallant, pickup	557.40
Roy Simmons, operator	507.20
Roy Simmons, labor	538.13
Emil Schulze, labor	1,076.25
L. P. Adams, road work tools	84.95
Edw. Gallant, labor	563.75
Edw. Gallant, operator	270.40
Town of Washington, tractor-loader	958.60
Town of Washington, rake	61.50
Peer Bros., truck	348.75

Town of Becket, rake	\$ 6.00
Town of Becket, bulldozer	50.00
Town of Tyringham, scraper	23.20
Town of Tyringham, spreader	16.00
Bruce Burnham, labor	30.00
Fred Connor, bulldozer operator	18.80
Fred Connor, truck	76.50
Claude Goodell, truck	352.00
Karl Winter, power mower	375.00
Walter Beckwith, labor	746.25
Joseph Furlong, truck	714.00
Fred Munn, operator	25.60
Fred Munn, truck	68.00
Fred Strout, labor	20.00
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	\$8,974.68

Snow Fence

Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$44.80
Amos Gallant, pickup	16.80
Edw. Gallant, labor	10.00
Emil Schulze, labor	35.00
Walter Beckwith, labor	13.75
Roy Simmons, labor	25.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	25.50
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	\$170.85

Snow Removal

Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$649.60
Amos Gallant, pickup	243.60
Roy Simmons, operator	387.20
Roy Simmons, labor	197.50
Edw. Gallant, labor	220.00
Town of Washington, plow	689.50
Peer Bros., truck and plow	150.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	51.00
Joseph Furlong, plow	170.00

Emil Schulze, labor	\$ 30.00
Bruce Burnham, labor	20.00
Claude Goodell, truck	10.20
Berkshire Gravel Co., 228.05 sand	228.05
L. P. Adams, 28½ tons salt	616.75
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	\$3,663.40

Material

N. E. Culvert Co., 124 ft. culvert, 4 coup.	\$313.16
Leona Fassell, 600 yd. gravel	60.00
L. P. Adams Co., highway tools	47.40
L. P. Adams Co., 5 shovels	19.25
Frances Brown, 850 yd. gravel	85.00
Frances Brown, 240 yd. gravel	24.00
Lane Const. Co., 34.8 T steamix	217.50
Lane Const. Co., 18.15 steamix	113.44
Berkshire Gravel Co., 133.75 ¾ stone	247.44
American Tar Co., 4477 gal. tar	870.24
Peer Bros., grits (298.05)	521.58
A. Leo Nash, 2 culverts and 1 collar	41.16
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	\$2,560.17

Total Expended	\$15,369.10
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Unexpended	.90
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FLOOD RELIEF

State Flood Control	\$3,000.00
Amos Gallant, supt.	\$243.20
Amos Gallant, pickup	91.20
Roy Simmons, operator	115.20
Roy Simmons, labor	10.00
Edw. Gallant, labor	81.25
Emil Schulze, labor	191.25
Walter Beckwith, labor	185.00

Claude Goodell, truck	\$ 88.00
Peer Bros., truck	682.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	552.50
E. Murray, labor	25.60
E. W. Gallant, labor	150.00
F. Munn, truck	68.00
Town of Becket, grader	47.60
Town of Becket, bulldozer	40.00
F. Connor, operator	12.80
F. Connor, truck	34.00
Frances Brown, 1400 yds. gravel	140.00
A. Leo Nash, 4-18 in. x 12 ft. 0 culvert	
A. Leo Nash, 1-18 in. x 4 ft. 0 ACCM	
A. Leo Nash, 3-18 in. core bands	135.16
Lane Construction, 42.2 steamix	151.25

\$3,044.01

Transferred from reserve \$ 44.01

NEW SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Balance from previous years	\$1.64
A. E. Larson, 2 pr. hinges	\$1.64

EDEN GLEN POND

Appropriated	\$50.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	\$12.75
Berkshire Gravel, 13.65 T stone	25.25

Total Expended \$38.00

Unexpended \$12.00

CEMETERIES

Appropriated	\$200.00
Roy Simmons, mowing and care	\$200.00

BERKSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT

Appropriated	\$679.19
Expended	\$679.19

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriated	\$600.00
E. H. Pierce policy	\$537.00

Unexpended	\$ 63.00
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BALANCE ON FOREST FIRE EQUIPMENT

Appropriated	\$244.00
Walter A. Marcil, 400 ft. 11/8 hose	
Walter A. Marcil, 1-2½ in. box strainer	\$244.00

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF WASHINGTON

Appropriated	\$25.00
Expended	\$25.00

DISABILITY AID

Appropriated	\$300.00
Unexpended	\$300.00

BRIDGES

Appropriated		\$400.00
Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$ 25.60	
Amos Gallant, pickup	9.60	
Emil Schulze, labor	20.00	
Walter Beckwith, labor	10.00	
Edw. Gallant, labor	12.50	
Roy Simmons, labor	10.00	
Joseph Furlong, truck	25.50	
Kelly Lumber Co., 2,000 ft. 3 in. plank	180.00	
L. P. Adams Co., spikes, bolts and blades	14.06	

Total Expended	\$307.26
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Unexpended	\$ 92.74
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OFFICERS' BONDS

Appropriated		\$50.00
C. D. Hebb Agency, Town Clerk	\$ 5.00	
Town Treas.	16.00	
Dep. Tax Collector	5.00	
Mass. Bond. Co., Tax Collector	33.75	
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Transferred from Reserve \$9.75

JUDICIARY AGENT
EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriated	\$65.00
Harry C. Shaw, services	\$65.00

GENERAL RELIEF

Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting	\$ 500.00
Appropriated at Special Town Meeting	1,000.00

Total Available \$1,500.00

Pittsfield case	\$912.55
Worcester case	587.45

Total Expended \$1,500.00

DISCOUNT ON NOTES

Appropriated	\$2,300.00
Day Trust Co., interest on all notes	\$2,090.34

Unexpended \$ 209.66

FOREST WARDEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Ernest Schulze, labor and permits	4.70

\$ 95.30

TREE WARDEN EXPENSE

Appropriated		\$50.00
Amos Gallant, supt.	\$ 6.40	
Amos Gallant, pickup	2.40	
Roy Simmons, operator	3.20	
Roy Simmons, labor	10.00	
Emil Schulze, labor	12.50	
Walter Beckwith, labor	12.50	
George Burnham, power saw	9.00	
Joseph Furlong, truck	8.50	
Town of Washington, loader	7.00	
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Total Expended		\$71.50
Transferred from reserve	\$21.50	

GYPSY MOTH

Appropriated	\$95.00
Unexpended	\$95.00

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriated	\$200.00
Unexpended in 1954	124.00
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Total Available	\$324.00
Western Mass. Electric, T.H. lights	\$27.35
L. P. Adams Co., 21-2 pcs. 1x2 selected	4.48
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Total Expended	\$31.83
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Unexpended	\$292.17

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Appropriated	\$100.00
Joseph N. Blotz, Animal Inspector	\$35.00
Joseph N. Blotz, Slaughter Inspector	25.00
Zigmund J. Zaleski, Col. dog taxes and exp.	12.10
Roland Daigle, Sealer weights and meas.	10.00
Allen Eames, Wiring Inspector	10.00
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Total Expended	92.00
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Unexpended	\$ 7.90

SNOW REMOVAL (TOWN ACCOUNT)

Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting		\$2,500.00
Appropriated at Special meetings		\$2,000.00
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Total Available		\$4,500.00
Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$336.80	
Amos Gallant, pickup	125.70	
Roy Simmons, operator	340.00	
Roy Simmons, labor	32.65	
Edw. Gallant, labor	70.00	
Town of Washington, loader	108.50	
Town of Washington, plow	385.00	
Joseph Furlong, truck	693.00	
Joseph Furlong, plow	159.00	
Claude Goodell, truck	789.05	
Claude Goodell, plow	65.00	
Bruce Burnham, labor	50.00	
Emil Schulze, labor	97.50	
Peer Bros., truck	110.50	
Berkshire Gravel Co., 903 T C sand	903.45	
Socony Vacuum Co., 123.5 gal. gaso.	77.39	
Carr Hdw. Co., car. and mach. bolts	7.11	
L. P. Adams Co., 6 T salt	147.00	
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Total Expended		\$4,497.65
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Unexpended		\$ 2.35

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriated		\$1,050.00
Florence Simmons, ballot clerk	\$ 9.00	
Elizabeth Gallant, ballot clerk	9.00	
Harold Klein, ballot clerk	3.00	
Emil Schulze, 4 registrations	8.00	
Emil Schulze, Selectman	50.00	
Emil Schulze, Chairman Assessors	50.00	

Leon Sheean, ballot clerk	\$ 6.00
Allen Eames, School Committee	10.00
Marguerite Schulze, Tax Collector	150.00
Alexander Jarvie, Assessor	50.00
Harry C. Shaw, 8 registrations	16.00
Harry C. Shaw, Chairman Selectmen	150.00
C. A. R. Simmons, Town Clerk	100.00
C. A. R. Simmons, Town Treasurer	150.00
C. A. R. Simmons, Assessor	50.00
C. A. R. Simmons, Selectman	50.00
C. A. R. Simmons, 2 registrations	4.00
James S. Brown, Assessor	50.00
James S. Brown, Chairman School Committee	10.00
Fred T. Hansen, Clerk of Assessors	60.00
Edith S. Wagner, Secretary School Com.	50.00
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Expended	1,035.00
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Unexpended	\$15.00

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriated	\$225.00
Transferred by vote from OAA administration	14.93
Transferred by vote from ADC administration	10.35
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Total Available	\$250.28
Expended	\$250.00
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Unexpended	\$.28

BECKET TOWN DUMP

Appropriated	\$25.00
Becket	\$25.00

MACHINERY

Appropriated from Machinery Fund		\$3,441.35
Amos Gallant, loader plates	\$ 3.00	
Fire Ext. Service, 15 lb. exting.	25.00	
Graves Equipment Co., bucket teeth	27.12	
Graves Equipment Co., clutch and parts	103.89	
J. Mulcare, garage creeper	8.70	
Stapleton Inc., 2 belts	4.81	
L. P. Adams Co., padlock	.65	
Eastern Equip. Sales, York rake	595.00	
Central Garage, repairs, weldg, parts	79.60	
Murray Stone, tank	7.50	
Pittsfield Welding Co., gas and demurrage	38.35	
Town of Becket, repairs to spreader	42.50	
Becket Gen. Store, paint	4.50	
N. E. Tel. & Tel., phone	47.61	
Western Mass., power and light	78.00	
Joseph Gillett, repair parts	1.50	
Levernoch Bros., gaso. and oil	427.00	
Day Trust Co., loader note	1,000.00	
Socony Vacuum Co., gaso. and kero.	120.92	
Pittsfield Retread and Tire Co.		
boot and rep.	5.50	
2-1300 x 24 loader tires	329.96	
2 spreader tires and tubes	33.84	
Tarbell Waters, 2 F. Cartridges	3.56	
Gillett and Sons, points condenser and labor	5.48	
Chester Granite, grind. 18 j. bits	13.50	
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Total Expended		\$3,007.49
Unexpended		\$ 433.86

VETERANS' AID

Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting	\$1,500.00
Appropriated at Special Town Meeting	800.00
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Total Available	\$2,300.00

Children's Hospital, medicines	\$500.25	
McKesson & Robbins Inc., medicines	918.87	
Flynn Drug Co., medicines	183.86	
City of Worcester, Case No. 3	396.00	
Dr. George Breit, emergency case	6.00	
Case 4, emergency aid	52.00	
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Expended		\$2,056.98
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Unexpended		\$ 243.02

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Total Appropriation	\$2,500.00	
Expended	2,438.43	
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Balance returned to General Funds	\$ 61.57	
Federal Grant balance 1/1/55	\$ 609.92	
Received in Federal Grants 1955	1,841.80	
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	\$2,451.72	
Expenditures from Federal Grant	1,968.56	
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Federal Grant balance 1/1/56	\$ 483.16	

Payroll Expenditures

January 1 to January 15	\$ 141.10
January 15 to January 31	182.46
February 1 to February 15	147.95
February 15 to February 28	203.39
March 1 to March 15	147.15
March 15 to March 31	268.12
April 1 to April 15	126.50
April 15 to April 30	238.31
May 1 to May 15	138.30
May 15 to May 31	226.55
June 1 to June 15	138.30

June 15 to June 30	\$183.85	
July 1 to July 15	138.30	
July 15 to July 31	196.00	
August 1 to August 15	125.80	
August 15 to August 31	511.25	
September 1 to September 15	139.80	
September 15 to September 30	175.20	
October 1 to October 15	139.80	
October 15 to October 31	159.91	
November 1 to November 15	139.80	
November 15 to November 30	181.75	
December 1 to December 15	139.80	
December 15 to December 31	217.60	
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Total Expenditures		\$4,406.99

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation	\$8,000.00	
Expended	6,314.19	
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Balance returned to General Funds	\$1,685.81	
Federal Grant balance 1/1/55	\$1,559.79	
Federal Grant received 1955	2,070.31	
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Total Federal funds	\$3,630.10	
Expended	1,191.64	
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Balance brought forward to 1/1/56	\$2,438.46	

Payroll Expenditures

January 1 to January 15	\$ 97.40
January 15 to January 31	479.84
February 1 to February 15	97.40
February 15 to February 28	517.00
March 1 to March 15	97.40

March 15 to March 31	\$ 459.66
April 1 to April 15	97.40
April 15 to April 30	552.69
May 1 to May 15	97.40
May 15 to May 31	499.71
June 1 to June 15	97.40
June 15 to June 30	525.71
July 1 to July 15	97.40
July 15 to July 31	481.81
August 1 to August 15	97.40
August 15 to August 31	539.46
January 1 to July 1 (out of town case)	120.73
September 1 to September 15	97.40
September 15 to September 30	500.79
October 1 to October 15	97.40
October 15 to October 31	486.33
November 1 to November 15	97.40
November 15 to November 30	508.82
December 1 to December 15	97.40
December 15 to December 31	510.40
July 1 to January 1, 1956 (out of town)	154.08

Total Expended

\$7,505.83

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Appropriated	\$50.00
Ernest F. Schulze, services	10.00

Unexpended

\$40.00

TAX TITLES

Appropriated	\$36.00
Unexpended	\$36.00

TOWN OF BECKET FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	\$500.00
Expended	\$500.00

BECKET FIREMEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriated	\$50.00
Unexpended	\$50.00

BOARD OF HEALTH (Care of Infants)

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

RESERVE

Appropriated	\$300.00
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Transferred to:

Chapter 81	\$ 15.00
Officers' Bonds	9.75
Tree Warden Expense	21.50
Chapter 90, Maint.	.23
Insurance to Bldgs.	206.89
Chapter 90 Spec. County Grant	1.00
Flood Relief	44.01

Total Expended	\$298.38
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Unexpended	\$ 1.62
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INSURANCE ON BUILDINGS

Appropriated	\$1,000.00
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Pierce and Co.

Balance School	\$578.56
Town Garage	108.36
2nd Year School	519.97

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Total Expended	\$1,206.89
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Transferred from reserve	206.89
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\$1,206.89

ADDITIONAL JANITOR SERVICE

Appropriated	\$200.00
Roy Simmons, services	\$81.00
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Unexpended	\$119.00

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS

Appropriated		\$1,000.00
Arthur L. Johnson, labor and material	\$177.95	
Eastern Refract. Co., labor, matrl. and expense per invoice 3-55 3/7 '55	482.56	
Amos Gallant, superintendent	11.20	
Roy Simmons, labor	8.75	
Emil Schulze, labor	8.75	
Bruce Burnham, labor	8.75	
Pittsfield Paint Co., painting	280.00	
A. E. Larson, labor and material	17.06	
K. P. Ritchie, repair parts, door closer	4.98	
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Total Expended		\$1,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting		\$700.00
Appropriated at Special Town Meeting		\$100.00
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Total Available		\$800.00
Mass. Collector and Treas. Ass'n dues	\$ 4.00	
Mass. Selectmen's Ass'n.	10.00	
Mass. Assessors' Ass'n., State and Co.	9.00	
Martha Gardner, mileage and postage	5.98	
Dorothy Durant, printed, stamped envelopes	55.19	
Eagle Print. & Bind. Co., Town reports		
Envelopes and ballots	270.85	
Berkshire County Selectmen's Assn', dues	6.00	
Fred T. Hansen, trip to Boston	21.22	
James S. Brown, trip to Boston	21.22	
Pittsfield Nat. Bank, printing checks	13.00	

Mass. Town Clerk's Ass'n., dues and record.	\$ 7.50
Hobbs & Warren Co., warrants and office forms.	82.77
Roy Simmons, extra labor, auditorium	15.00
Barre Gazette, tax bill forms	9.82
Stevens & Co., blast bond	10.00
Herman Dine, certification of notes	4.00
Harry C. Shaw, mileage, tel. & tel., post.	83.64
J. B. Paper Co., drinking cups	11.15
Marguerite Schulze, postage and mileage	10.32
C. A. R. Simmons, mileage, post. and phone	38.44
Recording births, deaths and marriages	4.50
Donald Feder, safety glass replacement	8.50
Ernest F. Schulze, land damage	25.00
L. P. Adams Co., set hinges and bolt	1.10
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	\$728.20
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Unexpended	\$ 71.80

RECAPITULATION

Old Age Assistance	\$ 7,505.83
Aid to Dependent Children	4,406.99
Chapter 81	15,369.10
Chapter 90 Pittsfield Road	14,820.45
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,000.23
Flood Relief	3,044.01
Appointed Officers	92.10
Judiciary Agent, East. Berk. Welfare Dist.	65.00
Machinery	3,007.49
Becket Town Dump	25.00
Dutch Elm Disease	10.00
Forest Warden	4.70
Town of Becket, Fire Department	500.00
Berkshire County Retirement	679.19
Sons and Daughters of Washington	25.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	250.00
Workmen's Compensation	537.00

Balance on Forest Fire Equipment	\$ 244.00
Officers' Bonds	59.75
New School Account (balance of previous year)	1.64
Cemeteries	200.00
Eden Glen Pond	38.00
Insurance on Buildings	1,206.89
Chapter 90, Special County Grant	1,001.00
General Relief	1,500.00
Bridges	307.26
Tree Warden Expense	71.50
Veterans' Aid	2,056.98
Additional Janitor Service	81.00
School House Repairs	1,000.00
Discount on Notes	2,090.34
Town Officers	1,035.00
Snow Removal	4,497.65
Miscellaneous	728.20
Civil Defense	31.83

\$69,493.13.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SHAW, *Chairman*
 CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS
 EMIL SCHULZE

Board of Selectmen

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1955		\$49,093.28
1951 Personal Tax	\$	72.79
Interest		8.73
1952 Real Estate		33.93
Interest		2.84
1953 Real Estate		867.00
Interest		53.18
1953 Personal		64.58
Interest		2.72
1953 Poll		4.00
Interest		.26
1953 Excise		57.39
Interest		5.07
1954 Real Estate		3,084.92
Interest		99.47
1954 Personal		338.87
Interest		9.69
1954 Poll		24.00
Interest		.83
1954 Excise		800.04
Interest		21.69
1955 Real Estate		11,002.78
Interest		3.35
1955 Personal		1,983.24
Interest		.01
1955 Poll		124.00
Interest		.46
1955 Excise		1,490.75
Interest		2.23
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		\$20,158.82

Selectmen's Licenses	\$ 658.00
Loader and Tractor Earnings	
Town of Washington	3,666.30
Town of Becket	976.80
Town of Middlefield	39.60
Town of Hinsdale	70.00
Town of Tyringham	92.40
Amos Gallant	26.40
Roy Simmons	13.20
H. W. Desrosiers	24.20
Withholding tax deductions	2,195.70
Berkshire County Retirement, deductions	627.23
Sporting Licenses	160.00
Dog license refund, county	121.72
Dog licenses	149.40
School Lunch Program	848.96
School Lunch Program, State	379.43
Old Age Assistance, State	3,069.40
Old Age Assistance, Federal	2,090.31
Old Age Assistance, other towns	654.01
Old Age Assistance, meal tax	83.76
Old Age Assistance Administration	48.21
Aid to Dependent Children, State	1,734.93
Aid to Dependent Children, Federal	1,843.75
Aid to Dependent Children, Adm.	27.58
Com'r. Vets Service	881.60
Chapter 81, 1954 contract (5893)	1,200.00
Chapter 81, 1955 contract (6075)	9,400.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance, State (15550)	1,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance, County (15550)	1,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction, State (15201)	5,000.00
Use of Auditorium	4.00
State reimbursement on new school	2,504.27
Com. of Mass. refund on excise tax	8.23
Child Guardianship	477.52
Loss of taxes	9,297.05
Education and Transportation	5,614.98

Vocational Education	\$ 360.00	
School Superintendent	724.50	
Income Tax	354.01	
School Aid, Chapter 70	5,700.00	
State Tax Apportionment	131.72	
Day Trust Co., Highway Loan	28,575.00	
City of Pittsfield	3,055.00	
Corporation tax	630.00	
J. S. Brown, asphalt	1.50	
Division of Live Stock, disease control	17.50	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	4.00	
Berkshire County Savings Bank, interest	38.68	
	<hr/>	\$144,674.13
Total Receipts for year 1955		<hr/> \$164,832.95

EXPENDITURES

Selectmen's Orders	\$69,493.13	
School	21,900.00	
School Lunch Program	1,175.50	
Day Trust Co., School Note	5,000.00	
Day Trust Co., Highway Notes	33,300.00	
Collector of Internal Revenue	2,195.70	
Berkshire County Retirement	627.23	
Division of Fisheries and Game	160.00	
State Parks	40.25	
State Audit	248.78	
Berkshire County Mosquito Control	68.70	
Tax Refunds	153.65	
County of Berkshire, dog license	149.40	
County Tax	925.29	
Wild Cat Bounty	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$135,457.63
Total Expenditures		<hr/> \$135,457.63

PITTSFIELD NATIONAL BANK

Balance Dec. 31, 1955 as per statement		\$48,292.36
Balance as per check book Dec. 31, 1955	\$25,124.96	
Outstanding checks, as per list Dec. 31, 1955	23,167.40	
	<hr/>	\$48,292.36

Pittsfield Nat. Bank, checking account	\$25,124.96	
Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1955	2,931.16	
Berkshire County Savings Bank	1,319.20	
	<hr/>	\$29,375.32

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,
Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Dog Licenses

Males, 44 at \$2.00	\$ 88.00
Females, 9 at \$5.00	45.00
Spayed females 15 at \$2.00	30.00

 \$163.00

Fees retained	13.60
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Paid Treasurer	\$149.40
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Sporting Licenses

Resident citizen's		
Fishing	12 at \$3.25	\$39.00
Hunting	12 at 3.25	39.00
Sporting	5 at 5.25	26.25
Minor Fishing	3 at 1.25	3.75
Female Fishing	6 at 2.25	13.50

Non-Resident		
Hunting	2 at 15.25	30.50

 \$152.00

Fees retained	10.00
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Paid Treasurer	\$142.00
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Deaths

1955

- Jan. 28 James Fitzpatrick, age 81
 April 5 Mary E. Dunn, age 84
 May 8 Euphemia M. Gray, age 80
 May 19 George E. Millot, Sr., age 84
 Sept. 5 Mary A. Schulze, age 87

Marriages

1955

- May 14 Wilfred L. Cadman, Jr. and Joan M. Campbell
 June 18 George L. Davenport and Joyce Marie Madigan

Births

1955

- Sept. 20 Rosemarie Ellen Deane, daughter of Alfred Deane and
 Lorraine Campbell Deane
 Dec. 29 Karen Marie Klein, daughter of Harold Klein and Mary
 Ann Cormier

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,

Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

1955 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriation to be raised by taxation		\$48,730.19	
Total appropriations voted from available funds:			
In 1955	\$5,010.65		
In 1954	1,900.00		
	<hr/>	6,910.63	
		<hr/>	\$55,640.82
Chapter 44 Section 16			5,602.75
State: Tax and assessments	1955	1954	
State parks and reservations	\$45.76		
State Audit and Municipal Accounts	248.78		
Mosquito control	72.91	\$.90	
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	\$367.45	\$.90	368.35
County: Tax and assessments			
County Tax	\$890.00	\$80.95	940.95
Overlay of current year			555.59
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Gross amount to be raised			\$63,108.46
Estimated receipts:			
Income tax	\$6,115.09		
Corporation tax	719.81		
Reimbursement on public land	9,034.01		
Old Age Tax (Meal)	270.57		
Motor Vehicle Excise	2,500.00		
Licenses	500.00		
Protection persons and property	10.00		
Old Age Assistance	5,602.75		
Charities	540.00		
Veterans' Service	200.00		
Schools	8,200.00		
Interest on taxes	100.00		
State assistance for school construction	2,500.00		
Fines	50.00		
City of Pittsfield,			
Acts of 1954	3,055.00		
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Total estimated receipts		\$39,397.23	
Overestimates: State Parks		\$.20	

Amounts taken from available funds:

Appropriations voted

11- 1-54	\$1,900.00
2-12-55	5,010.63

Total available funds		\$6,910.63
Total estimated receipts and available funds		\$46,308.06
Net amount raised by taxation		\$16,800.40
Number of Polls 82	Tax	\$164.00
Property:		
Personal: Value	\$45,119.00	Tax 2,481.55
Real Estate Value	257,361.00	Tax 14,154.85
	\$302,480.00	
Total taxes levied on polls and property		\$16,800.40

1955 TABLE OF AGGREGATES

<i>Number of Persons Assessed</i>	<i>Individuals</i>	<i>All Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
On Personal Estate only	7	4	11
On Real Estate only	83	3	86
On both Personal and Real Estate	44	2	46
Total number of persons assessed			143
Total number of polls assessed			83
Value of assessed personal estate:			
Stock in trade		\$ 3,650.00	
Machinery		31,070.00	
Live Stock		4,869.00	
All other tangible property		5,530.00	
Total value of assessed personal Estate			\$45,119.00
Value of assessed real estate:			
Land exclusive of buildings		\$ 67,032.00	
Buildings exclusive of land		190,329.00	
Total value of assessed real estate			\$257,361.00
Total value of assessed estate			\$302,480.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000.00—\$55.00			

Taxes, including overlay:

On personal estate	\$ 2,481.55
On real estate	14,154.86
On polls	164.00

Total taxes assessed

 \$16,800.41

Number of live stock assessed:

Horses	8
Neat cattle	41
Yearling steers	26
Heifers	9
Sheep	33
Fowl	685
All others	4

Number of acres of land assessed

8785

Number of dwelling houses

101

EMIL SCHULZE
 JAMES S. BROWN
 FRED T. HANSED, JR.
 CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS

Assessors of Washington.

1955 TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1951 Property and Poll Taxes

Pd. Treas. in 1951		Real Estate warrant	\$11,378.96
prop. taxes	\$11,270.10	Personal tax warrant	1,948.34
Abated in 1951		Poll tax	148.00
prop. taxes	145.00		
Pd. Treas. 1951			
poll taxes	104.00		
Abated poll taxes	22.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1952			
poll taxes	20.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1954			
poll tax	2.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1952			
prop. taxes	1,429.78		
Pd. Treas. in 1953			
prop. taxes	331.08		
Pd. Treas. in 1954			
prop. taxes	20.84		
Pd. Treas. in 1955			
pers. taxes	72.79		
Uncollected	57.71		
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	\$13,475.30		\$13,475.30

1951 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$8.73

1952 Property and Poll Taxes

Pd. Treas. in 1952		Real Estate warrant	\$11,086.70
prop taxes	\$11,167.73	Personal Tax warrant	2,183.93
Abated and refunded	171.00	Poll Tax warrant	136.00
Abated	28.50		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes	104.00		
Poll taxes abated	10.00		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes in 1953	18.00		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes in 1954	4.00		
Abated prop. taxes in 1953	31.35		
Pd. Treas. prop. taxes in 1953	1,514.18		
Pd. Treas. prop. taxes in 1954	157.05		
Pd. Treas. prop. taxes in 1955	33.93		
Uncollected	166.89		
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	\$13,406.63		\$13,406.63

1952 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$2.84

1953 Poll and Property Taxes

Pd. Treas. in 1953	Real Estate Warrant	\$15,785.09
prop. taxes	\$10,686.57	1,458.40
Abated real estate taxes	59.36	128.00
Abated in 1954 and refunded	141.60	
Abated in 1954	8.00	
Pd. Treas. in 1954		
prop. taxes	3,890.60	
Pd. Treas. in 1955		
prop. taxes	867.00	
Abated prop. taxes in 1955	27.52	
Uncollected real estate taxes	194.44	
Pd. Treas. in 1953		
pers. taxes	1,059.52	
Pd. Treas. in 1954		
pers. taxes	229.98	
Pd. Treas. in 1955		
pers. taxes	64.58	
Abated in 1955		
pers. taxes	19.20	
Uncollected	85.12	
Pd. Treas. in 1953		
poll taxes	94.00	
Abated and refunded	2.00	
Pd. Treas. in 1954		
poll taxes	22.00	
Abated in 1954	4.00	
Pd. Treas. in 1955	4.00	
Abated in 1955	2.00	
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	\$17,461.49	\$17,461.49

1953 Excise Taxes

Pd. Treas. in 1953	\$768.55	Warrants	\$1,419.76
Abated in 1953	7.97	Additional warrant	
Abated in 1954	27.09	in 1954	454.09
Paid Treas. in 1954	986.49		
Abated in 1955	26.36		
Pd. Treas. in 1955	57.39		
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	\$1,873.85		\$1,873.85

1953 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$61.23

1954 Poll and Property Taxes

Pd. Treas.		Real Estate warrant	\$17,624.46
prop. taxes	\$13,202.63	Additional warrant	30.73
Abated real estate	62.09	Personal tax	2,891.98
Pd. Treas. in 1955	3,084.92	Poll tax	150.00
Abated in 1955	84.00		
Uncollected			
real estate taxes	1,220.55		
Pd. Treas. in 1954			
pers. taxes	2,309.86		
Pd. Treas. in 1955			
pers. taxes	338.87		
Uncollected	243.25		
Pd. Treas. in 1954			
poll taxes	102.00		
Abated in 1954	20.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1955	24.00		
Uncollected	4.00		
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	\$20,697.17		\$20,697.17

1954 Excise Taxes			
Collected and paid		Excise warrants	\$2,148.15
Treas.	\$1,553.14	Additional warrants	
Collected and		in 1955	425.67
refunded in 1954	20.69		
Abated in 1954	31.26		
Collected and paid			
Treas. in 1955	800.04		
Collected and			
refunded in 1955	44.72		
Uncollected	123.97		
	<u>\$2,573.82</u>		<u>\$2,573.82</u>
1954 interest collected in 1955 and paid Treasurer—\$131.68			

1955 Poll and Property Tax			
Pd. Treas.		Real Estate warrant	\$14,154.86
real estate taxes	\$11,002.78	Personal warrant	2,481.55
Abated	48.78	Poll taxes	166.00
Uncollected	3,103.30		
Pd. Treas.			
pers. taxes	1,983.24		
Uncollected	498.31		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes	124.00		
Abated	22.00		
Uncollected poll taxes	20.00		
	<u>\$16,802.41</u>		<u>\$16,802.41</u>

1955 Excise Taxes			
Collected and paid		Warrants	\$2,891.20
Treas.	\$1,388.90		
Collected and			
refunded	101.85		
Abated	76.91		
Uncollected	1,323.54		
	<u>\$2,891.20</u>		<u>\$2,891.20</u>

1955 interest collected—\$6.05

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE E. SCHULZE,
Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Agent's report to the Town of Washington:

December 1955 marks the end of three and one-half years of the participation of the Town of Washington in the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District. I wish to state that it has been a pleasure to work with the town officials as a part of my work as a Welfare Agent.

There are three categories existent within the Town of Washington at the present time. Old Age Assistance with five (5) cases—Aid To Dependent Children with three (3) cases and General Relief, which in the year 1955 serviced only out of town cases with existing settlements in Washington.

The cost of Old Age Assistance to the Town of Washington is high because of nursing home care. At the present time the Nursing Home rate is \$42.00 per week with only \$35.00 rate being approved for reimbursements until some future legislation may change the formula.

A new piece of legislation passed in 1955 and known as Chapter 728 of the Acts of 1955, provides for an increase of \$2.50 per month to each Old Age Assistance recipient to be known as Travel allowance with the exception of those recipients who reside in a licensed Nursing or Boarding Home. This new law will necessitate an increase of \$30.00 per year in each Old Age Assistance budget, entirely separate from medical care which is furnished as an extra; thus making it necessary that a higher appropriation be made for 1956.

Medical costs which include many of the newer and costlier drugs being recommended by present day physicians, also mean increasing appropriations to underwrite the 1956 budget.

The Aid to Dependent Children Assistance program is relatively high in cost but with a case on this program it must be remembered that a whole family which includes a mother and one or more children is serviced as a unit in contrast to one case on Old Age Assistance which includes the needs of only one individual.

Federal and State reimbursements are on a current basis and we close this year with a balance in Federal Grants in both Old Age Assistance and Aid To Dependent Children.

Federal grants make up a revolving account which may be carried forward at the end of each year for use the following year rather than to be absorbed in the Town's General Funds as are balances left from appropriation accounts.

Again, I wish to express my appreciation for the splendid cooperation of the Town officers in the work of the Welfare Department.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE H. EAMES,
Agent.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$8,000.00
Expenditures	6,314.19
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Balance returned to General Funds	\$1,685.81
Federal Grant balance 1/1/55	\$1,559.79
Federal Grant received	2,070.31
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	\$3,630.10
Expenditures from Federal Grants	1,191.64
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Balance carried forward to 1/1/56	\$2,438.46
Receipts:	
Other towns	\$654.01
Commonwealth	2,755.84

These amounts will be credited to the Town Surplus Revenue Account and will be used by the Assessors in determining the 1956 tax rate.

Actual cost to the Town for Old Age Assistance after receipt of Federal and State reimbursements have been deducted for 1955 was \$2,679.68.

Estimated Federal Reimbursements	\$347.68
Estimated State Reimbursements	612.08

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	\$2,500.00
Expenditures from appropriation	2,438.43
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Balance to be returned to Town General Funds	\$61.57
Federal Grant Balance 1/1/55	\$ 609.92
Received in Federal Grants	1,841.80
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	\$2,451.72
Expenditures from Federal Grant	1,968.56
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Federal Grant Balance 1/1/56	\$483.16
Received from Commonwealth	\$ 1,734.93
Estimated Federal Reimbursement	297.20
Estimated State Reimbursement	226.31
Cost to Town for 1955 minus Federal and State Reimbursements	\$830.26

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$300.00
Expenditures from appropriation	
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Balance returned to General Funds	\$300.00
Federal Grant Balance 1/1/55	\$271.01
Federal Grants Received	
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Balance in Federal Grant 1/1/56	\$271.01
No cases in 1955 in Disability Assistance	

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$500.00
Special Appropriation (December)	1,000.00
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Total Appropriation	\$1,500.00
Expenditures	
Paid to other Towns	\$1,500.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/55	\$14.93
Transferred to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	14.93
Received from Federal Grants	48.21
Balance 1/1/56	48.21

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/55	\$10.35
Transferred to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	10.35
Received from Federal Grants	27.58
Balance 1/1/56	27.58

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriation	\$225.00
Transferred from Old Age Assistance Administration	14.93
Transferred from Aid to Dependent Children Administration	10.35
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	\$250.28
Balance 1/1/56	.28

Appropriation for Prudential Committee Member

Appropriation	\$65.00
Expenditures	65.00

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES 1955

	District	Hinsdale	Becket	Peru	Washington
on hand 1/1/55	\$1779.51	890.36	\$ 486.94	\$ 299.66	\$ 102.55
Reimbursement	7544.39	4199.51	2381.13	445.75	518.00
paid in by towns	3240.36	1750.00	1040.36	200.00	250.00
Total	12,564.26	6839.87	3908.43	945.41	870.55
Warrants (paid out)	10,908.32	6064.63	3447.27	649.30	747.12
Balance 1/1/56	1,655.94	775.24	461.16	296.11	123.43
Net op. expense for 1955	3363.93	1865.12	1066.14	203.55	229.12
Percent of Case Load:					
1/55 to 6/30/55		56.6	31.	5.3	7.1
1/55 to 12/31/55		54.6	32.2	6.6	6.6
1/56 to 6/30/56		52.5	32.5	8.3	6.7

BUDGET FOR 1956

Salaries	\$ 8,260.00
Travel	500.00
Postage	250.00
Office Supplies	225.00
Telephone	250.00
Pur. of Office Equip.	375.00
Rep. of Office Equip.	35.00
Rental and Maintenance	800.00
Lights	50.00
Heat	150.00
Miscellaneous	99.70
Bond	15.00
County Retirement	490.30
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	\$11,500.00

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation	\$21,900.00
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Stella D. Wilkie, teacher	\$2,508.00
Mrs. A. Ray Kimball, teacher	2,508.00
Mrs. Dorothy Lyman, substitute	16.00
Mrs. John Gardner, substitute	8.00
Mrs. Harry Madigan, Jr., art teacher	300.00
John Roberts, music teacher	180.00
Mass. Audubon Society, nature teacher	125.00
Earl C. Sutor, Superintendent	1,273.01
Superintendent's expenses	176.92
Mass. Retirement Board	330.99
Textbooks	110.99
Stationery and supplies	141.62
Janitor	750.00
Fuel	1,261.94
Light and Telephone	381.50
Repairs	74.69
Health	95.00
Local Transportation	2,191.90
High School transportation	4,534.00
High School tuition	4,440.93
Vocational tuition	302.50
Miscellaneous	158.68
All others	30.33

Total Expenditures	\$21,900.00
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EDITH S. WAGNER
 JAMES S. BROWN
 ALLEN S. EAMES

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Washington:

Herewith is submitted my eleventh annual report as Superintendent of your school.

The most important thing that can be reported concerns the primary function of the elementary school. It is my considered opinion that the general academic achievement in the fundamental subjects is at a high point and compares favorably with other elementary schools. Of course, there are individual differences which must be expected. Attitudes and emotions are probably more important to success than natural capacity. It is definitely in these areas where home cooperation is most needed for the welfare of the children concerned.

The most important factor in the success of any school is the teacher. We have two fine teachers, who are conscientiously working for the best interest of each and every pupil. The ingenious and skillful art supervisor, Mrs. Madigan, continues with her fine work. The worthwhile nature lessons are continuing. Mr. Roberts was forced to curtail his extended territory and Mrs. Kimball has taken over and done very well with the Music. The parents of Washington should be very thankful and appreciative of their efforts. Let them know it. The School Committee has been most helpful and cooperative and have expressed their appreciation and extended their support. Salaries are moving upward slowly and account for \$345 of the budget increase. I hope that as fast as the town can see its way, the financial reward may be improved. In the meantime, what is perhaps more important to a teacher is appreciation and respect. These we can extend with sincerity and without stint.

FINANCES:

Comparisons of the 1955 expenditures and the 1955 Budget with the 1956 Budget can be easily made. It is evident that there is a desirable attempt to hold the line wherever possible. The greatest amounts of increase are in the usual two items, transportation, and high school tuition. The greater of these is high school tuition which is up over \$1,000. This is accounted for not by increase in rates this

year, but because of the increase in the number attending high school. The total increase is \$1912 over last year.

CONCLUSION:

In conclusion I should like to commend the ladies who have continued the excellent school lunch program. Their service is voluntary and knowledge of the benefits of this program, their reward. I wish also to extend my thanks and appreciation to the teachers and supervisors, the School Committee, Parents, and to each citizen whose financial and moral support contributes to the vital task of the education of the children of Washington.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL C. SUITOR

Superintendent of Schools

Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1955

Expenditures	\$21,900.00
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Receipts:

Reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
Chapter 70 as amended—School Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	724.50
All School Transportation	5,614.98
Vocational School Tuition	360.00
State Ward Transportation	477.52

Total Receipts	\$12,856.61
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Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the Support of Schools for 1955	\$9,043.39
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Budget for 1955

Teachers' Salaries	\$6,220.00
Textbooks	100.00
Supplies for Instruction	150.00
Janitor	750.00
Fuel	1,000.00
Lights, Telephone and Power	375.00
Repairs	100.00
Health	100.00
Transportation	7,000.00
High School Tuition	6,342.00
Operating Expenses	150.00
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	1,500.00
All others	25.00

Total Budget for 1956	\$23,812.00
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1956

Budget for 1956	\$23,812.00
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Estimated Receipts:

Chapter 70 as amended—School Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	725.00
All School Transportation	6,415.00
State Ward Transportation	475.00

Total Estimated Receipts	<div style="border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 3px double black; display: inline-block; width: 100%;">\$13,294.61</div>
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the Support of the Schools for 1956	<div style="border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 3px double black; display: inline-block; width: 100%;">\$10,517.39</div>
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Enrollment October 1, 1955

High School Enrollment

Dalton High School	11
Pittsfield High School	8
Pittsfield Vocational School	1
South Junior High School	3
Private School	1

Total High School	<div style="border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 3px double black; display: inline-block; width: 100%;">24</div>
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Elementary School Enrollment

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Mrs. Wilkie					5	3	2	9
Mrs. Kimball	5	5	6	5				

Total Elementary School Enrollment	<div style="border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 3px double black; display: inline-block; width: 100%;">38</div>
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Total School Enrollment	<div style="border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 3px double black; display: inline-block; width: 100%;">62</div>
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Graduates—1955

Washington Elementary School

Dorine Chiaretto

Rhetta Hansen

Brian Lampro

John Rock

Shelia Zaleski

School Calendar—1955-1956

Sept.	School begins September 7	18 days
Oct.	No School October 12, 28	19 days
Nov.	No School November 11, 24, 25	19 days
Dec.	No School December 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	12 days
Jan.	No School January 2	21 days
Feb.	No School February 20, 21, 22, 23, 24	16 days
Mar.	No School March 30	21 days
April	No School April 16, 17, 18, 19, 20	16 days
May	No School May 30	22 days
June	Last School day—June 8	6 days
		<hr/> 170 days

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Earl C. Suitor
Superintendent of Schools
Washington, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Suitor:

I submit the following report.

Vision tests were given in all grades.

Poor Vision—4

Salk Vaccine tests were given to 8 children.

All reports have been sent to the Public Health Office.

Sincerely,

ROSE K. CONLEY, R.N.

HEALTH REPORT

Mr. Earl C. Suitor
Superintendent of Schools
Hinsdale, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Suitor:

I submit the following health report for the Washington School from Sept. 7, 1955 to Jan. 13, 1956.

Weights and heights have been taken and recorded.

On January 5 and 12 the physical examinations of all grades were done by Dr. George C. Breit.

Defects found:

- 7 Dental cases
- 1 Kyphosis with Thoracic scoliosis
- 2 Hyperatrophy of tonsils
- 2 Bronchitis
- 5 Wax in ears
- 1 Heart murmur
- 1 Multiple nevi

There has been no reported contagious diseases this term.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the teachers, parents and children for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

IRIS J. MORGAN

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Balance Sheet—December 15, 1955

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash		Temporary Loans:	\$28,575.00
Accounts Receivable:		In Anticipation of Reimbursement	
Taxes:			
Levy of 1951:			
Real Estate		Payroll Deductions:	
		Federal Taxes	\$514.70
Levy of 1952:		County Retirement System	15.75
Personal Property	\$67.26		
Real Estate	99.63	Surplus War Bonus Fund	530.45
			138.41
Levy of 1953:			
Poll	\$ 6.00	Federal Grants:	
Personal Property	104.32	Disability Assistance:	\$ 54.24
Real Estate	194.44	Assistance	
		Aid to Dependent Children:	
Levy of 1954:		Aid	485.11
Poll	\$ 10.00	Administration	27.58
Personal Property	285.25	Old Age Assistance:	
Real Estate	1,940.61	Assistance	2,458.46
		Administration	48.21
			3,073.60
Levy of 1955:			
Poll	\$ 22.00	School Lunch Program	
Personal Property	498.31		372.84
Real Estate	3,303.52	Appropriation Balances:	
		General	12,689.34

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:
 Levy of 1953 \$ 19.57
 Levy of 1954 152.23
 Levy of 1955 1,220.69

Departmental:
 Aid to Dependent Children \$528.68
 Old Age Assistance 251.12

Aid to Highways:
 State \$13,175.00
 County 5,000.00

Underestimate 1955:
 County Tax 35.29

Estimated Receipts—to be Collected 2,379.81

Overdrawn Accounts:
 Highways—Chapter 90, Special \$1,000.00
 Flood Repairs, Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws 3,000.00

4,000.00

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:
 Inside Debt Limit:
 General \$ 4,000.00
 Outside Debt Limit:
 General 71,000.00

\$75,000.00

Overestimates 1955 Assessments:
 State Recreation Areas \$5.51
 State Mosquito Control 4.21

9.72

Sale of Real Estate Fund 1,000.00
 Road Machinery Fund 4,656.21
 Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus 2,135.21

Overlays Reserved for Abatelements:
 Levy of 1951 \$ 57.71
 Levy of 1952 166.89
 Levy of 1953 304.76
 Levy of 1954 351.19
 Levy of 1955 484.81

1,365.36

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer
 Excise \$1,392.49
 Departmental 779.80
 Aid to Highways 1,000.00

3,172.29

Surplus Revenue:
 Current Year \$ 2.01
 Prior Years 25,126.15

25,128.16

\$82,846.59

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Serial Loans:
 Inside Debt Limit:
 Departmental Equipment
 Outside Debt Limit:
 School Construction

\$4,000.00

71,000.00

\$75,000.00

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
WASHINGTON
AND
SCHOOL COMMITTEE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

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For the Year Ending
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TOWN WARRANT

February 9, 1957

Polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and may close at 6 P. M. Business meeting will open at 8 P. M.

Art. 1—To bring in and cast their vote by ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Tree Warden, one Tax Collector, one Auditor, all for one year; one School Committeeman, one Assessor and one Selectman, all for three years.

Art. 2—To see if the Selectmen shall be an agent for the Town in defense of any suits for and in behalf of the Town and to adjust all claims for damage against the Town and to choose an agent or pass any vote thereon.

Art. 3—To hear and act on the reports of the School Committee and the Superintendent and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,864.70 or any other sum for the operation of schools or take any vote in relation thereto.

Art. 4—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue for the financial year, beginning January 1, 1957 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew a note or notes as may be given for a period less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws; also temporary loans under provisions of 6A, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Art. 5—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Eden Glen Pond.

Art. 6—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for expenses of Tree Warden or take any action relating thereto.

Art. 7—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$722.96 for Pension Fund and Expense as required by the Berkshire County Retirement Board and ordered by the Berkshire County Commissioners.

Art. 8—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107.17 or any other sum for the control of the Dutch Elm Disease as required by Chapter 132 General Laws amended, Section 14 (Chapter 657 acts of 1956.)

Art. 9—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Gypsy Moth Control as required by the General Laws, Chapter 660 (Section II, Acts of 1918).

Art. 10—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,368.70 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account, \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay notes on Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor, and \$43.75 on interest due on its notes in 1957; also \$1,000.00 on Town's four wheel drive truck and sander body and \$130.00 on interest due on its notes in 1957.

Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of their members as a member of the Judiciary Committee of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District and raise and appropriate the sum of \$65.00 for his services for the year 1957.

Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$170.00 to pay its portion of the administration and equipment expense of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District.

Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$19.09 from O.A.A. Administration and \$11.76 from A.D.C. Administration to Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administration Account.

Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 15—To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended. All salaries to be effective as of January 1, 1957.

Moderator	\$ 10.00	Chairman Selectmen	\$150.00
Town Clerk	100.00	2nd member Selectmen	50.00
Town Treasurer	150.00	3rd member Selectmen	50.00
Tax Collector	150.00	Auditor	25.00
Chairman Assessors	50.00	Tree Warden	25.00
Clerk Assessors	60.00	Chairman School Com.	50.00
3rd member Assessors	50.00	Clerk School Com.	60.00
4th member Assessors	50.00	3rd member School Com.	50.00
5th member Assessors	50.00		

Art. 16—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the following purposes and pass any vote relating thereto. (Selectmen's recommendations) Maintenance of Highways, Chapter 81, \$795.00; Chapter 90 Maintenance, \$1,000.00; Snow Removal, \$3,000.00; Bridges, \$400.00; Appointed Officers, \$100.00; Miscellaneous, \$800.00; Town Officers, \$1,200.00; Officers' Bonds, \$60.00; Discount on notes, \$500.00; Forest Warden, \$100.00; Old Age Assistance, \$3,000.00; Aid to Dependent Children, \$2,500.00; General Relief, \$500.00; Cemeteries, \$200.00; Insurance on Buildings, \$1,000.00; Civil Defense, \$300.00; Becket Fire Department, \$500.00; Becket Firemen, \$100.00; Veterans' Aid, \$1,500.00; Board of Health, \$50.00; Workmen's Compensation, \$632.43; Disability Aid, \$100.00; Insurance on loader and truck (liability and property damage \$100.00)

Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be used by its Board of Health when needed towards the care and hospitalization of infants weighing five pounds or less at birth in accordance with Section 3, Chapter 3 of the General Laws as amended, (Chapter 601, Acts of 1949).

Art. 18—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for extra janitor services in auditorium of Elementary School Building.

Art. 19—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Sons and Daughters of Washington Reunion.

Art. 20—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to make necessary repairs to the Town's Elementary School Building.

Art. 21—To see if the Town will appropriate the sums of \$5,000.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to pay school note due September 1, 1957 and \$1,584.00 to pay 1957 interest on remaining school notes.

Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to be applied in determining the 1957 tax rate.

Art. 23—To see if the Town will vote to have a zoning By-Law of any description and if the vote should be in the affirmative direct the Selectmen and a committee of four registered voters, to be appointed by the Town Moderator, to prepare one and present it to the voters for consideration and a ballot vote at a Special or the next Annual Town Meeting as may be determined by the Selectmen and the afore-said committee.

Art. 24—To see if the Town will vote to have the Board of Selectmen hold two open meetings per month on the first and third Monday nights of the month and all town business of any description, exclusive of Welfare and Old Age Assistance, to be transacted on these nights only. The Selectmen's business to be transacted first and following the closing of business meeting, any citizen of the Town shall have the right to discuss any Town problems he or she may have with the Selectmen.

Art. 25—To see if the Town will vote to ask for bids for icing sand and oiling grits annually, the bid shall include materials and trucking delivered in place as per orders of Selectmen. The low bidder to be awarded the work.

Art. 26—To see if the Town will vote to have all purchasing done by the Board of Selectmen only.

Art. 27—To see if the Town will vote to have all single items purchased, amounting to \$200.00 or over to be let out to not less than two bidders. Low bidder to be awarded the sale.

Art. 28—To see if the Town will vote to have a building ordinance.

Art. 29—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for ambulance and resuscitator service twenty-four hours a day from the Hinsdale Fire Department.

Art. 30—To choose all other Town Officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot: Field Drivers, Pound Keeper, Fence Viewers, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Bark, Sexton and Constables.

TOWN OFFICERS IN 1956

MODERATOR

Harry C. Shaw

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

C. A. R. Simmons

SELECTMEN

Harry C. Shaw, Chairman	Term expires 1958
Emil Schulze	Term expires 1956
C. A. R. Simmons	Term expires 1957

ASSESSORS

C. A. R. Simmons, Clerk	Term expires 1958
Emil Schulze	Term expires 1957
James S. Brown	Term expires 1957
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1956
Edward Rushbrook	Term expires 1958

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Edith S. Wagner	Term expires 1956
James S. Brown, Chairman	Term expires 1957
Yvonne Campbell	Term expires 1958

TREE WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

AUDITOR AND TAX COLLECTOR

Marguerite E. Schulze

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

APPOINTEES

FOREST WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Joseph N. Blotz

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Ernest F. Schulze

Joseph N. Blotz

FIELD DRIVERS

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

C. A. R. Simmons

Emil Schulze

POUND KEEPER

C. A. R. Simmons

CONSTABLES

Walter Beckwith

Harold Klein

Amos E. Gallant

C. A. R. Simmons

James S. Brown

Philip Bohrer

Henry E. Rock

Andrew Methe

Roy Simmons

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Philip Bohrer

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER

Philip Bohrer

FENCE VIEWERS

John Campbell, Sr.

Carl H. Peer

Philip Bohrer

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Amos E. Gallant

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Roland Daigle

INSPECTOR OF ELECTRIC WIRING

Allen Eames

Edward Rushbrook

DOG TAX OFFICER

Zigmund Zaleski

CHIEF OF POLICE

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

FIRE CHIEF

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

VETERANS' AGENT

Andrew I. Methe

SELECTMEN'S REPORT **1956 APPROPRIATIONS**

School	\$23,812.00
Eden Glen Pond	50.00
Tree Warden Expense	100.00
Berkshire County Retirement Board	735.95
Dutch Elm Disease	50.00
Gypsy Moth Control	95.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District Agent	65.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	200.00
Chapter 81	795.00
Chapter 90, Pittsfield Road	1,000.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	1,000.00
Snow Removal	2,500.00
Bridges	200.00
Appointed Officers	100.00
Miscellaneous	700.00
Town Officers	1,050.00
Officers' Bonds	60.00
Discount on notes	500.00
Forest Warden	100.00
Old Age Assistance	6,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	2,500.00
General Relief	500.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Insurance on Buildings	1,000.00
Civil Defense	50.00
Becket Fire Department	500.00
Becket Firemen	100.00
Veterans' Aid	2,000.00
Board of Health	50.00
Workmen's Compensation	1,300.00
Disability Aid	100.00
Care of Infants (Board of Health)	100.00
Becket Town Dump	25.00
Auditor and Tree Warden for 1955	50.00
Janitor	100.00
Regional School Committee expense	100.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance Frost Road	500.00
Sons' and Daughters' Reunion	25.00
Preparing Zoning By-law	300.00
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	\$48,612.95

- Art. 10—Voted to appropriate the sum of \$4,656.21 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account, \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay note on Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor and \$61.25 on interest due on its notes in 1956.
- Art. 13—Voted to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.
- Art. 23—Voted to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 from available funds in the treasury to make necessary repairs to the Town's Elementary School Building.
- Art. 26—Voted to appropriate the sums of \$5,000.00 from available funds in the treasury to pay school note due Sept. 1, 1956 and \$1,704.00 to pay 1956 interest in remaining school notes.

CHAPTER 90, CONSTRUCTION, PITTSFIELD ROAD

State Appropriation	\$14,000.00
County	6,000.00
Town	1,000.00
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Total Available	\$21,000.00

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$ 956.00
Amos Gallant, pickup	358.50
Roy Simmons, loader operator	737.60
Roy Simmons, labor	123.20
Ronald Wood, laobr	168.00
Adolph Desrosier, labor	613.50
Adolph Desrosier, mason	12.80
Adolph Desrosier, operator	51.20
Edward Murray, power saw	48.00
Edward Murray, truck	859.75
Edward Murray, operator	64.00
Edward Gallant, operator	6.40
Edward Gallant, labor	442.40
Emil Schulze, labor	786.80

Washington, tractor-loader	\$1,126.00
Joseph Gillett, truck	1,617.38
Joseph Furlong, truck	1,472.51
Lane Construction Co., 43.45 Steamix	271.56
Berkshire Mill Supply, 3T chloride	106.41
Fred Munn, truck	465.50
Town of Middlefield, grader	48.00
Bracco Bros., stone spreader	36.00
L. P. Adams Co., 51 bags cement	73.95
Berkshire Gravel, 67.9 $\frac{1}{2}$ stone	125.62
Berkshire Gravel, 23.1 $\frac{3}{8}$ stone	38.12
Berkshire Gravel, 174.65 $\frac{3}{8}$ stone	288.17
Kelly Lumber, 328 ft. lumber	36.08
John Campbell, Jr., labor	56.00
Arthur Moon, truck	304.00
Arthur Hebert, $\frac{3}{4}$ yd. shovel	2,016.00
Frances Brown, gravel	515.00
Peter Tefts, grader operator	16.00
Johns Bldg. Supply, cement blocks	44.95
N. E. Metal Culvert	
256 ft. culvert and cpl.	2,042.43
30 posts	111.00
Claude Goodell, truck	192.00
Richard Galliher, operator	20.80
Leona Fassell, gravel	110.00
William Avery, truck	76.00
Conrad Arndt, back hoe	70.00
William Engwer, truck	769.50
Ray Bliven, compressor	725.70
Ray Bliven, dynamite and caps	797.63
Ray Bliven, bits and rods	3.60
Fred Connor, truck	875.85
Fred Connor, operator	281.60
Concrete Products, 310 blocks	66.50
Town of Becket, bulldozer	840.00
Town of Becket, grader	133.00
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Total Expenditure	\$21,001.01
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Transferred from reserve	\$ 1.01

CHAPTER 90, CONSTRUCTION 1956-1957

State Allotment to be reckoned in 1957	\$1,000.00
Transferred from reserve	.11
Total Available	<u>\$1,000.11</u>
A. Gallant, superintendent	\$ 69.60
A. Gallant, pickup	26.10
Emil Schulze, labor	44.80
Roy Simmons, operator	1.60
Roy Simmons, labor	22.40
American Tar Co.	751.61
Hutchinson Sand & Gravel, 3 ton roller	84.00
	<u>\$1,000.11</u>

CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE

State Appropriation	\$1,000.00
County Appropriation	1,000.00
Town Appropriation	1,000.00
Transferred from reserve	.35
Total Available	<u>\$3,000.35</u>
Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$ 57.60
Amos Gallant, pickup	20.40
Roy Simmons, operator	57.60
Town of Lee, power broom	40.00
Hutchinson Sand & Gravel, Clyde roller	56.00
Roy Gordon, operator	12.80
A. Desrosier, labor	35.20
Emil Schulze, labor	44.80
Fred Munn, operator	25.60
Town of Washington, loader	84.00
Town of Becket, spreader	16.00
R. Wood, labor	11.20
B. Burnham	11.20
Olaf Dyer, operator	8.00
Joseph Gillett, truck	161.50
Joseph Furlong, truck	171.00
W. A. Tyson, truck and hone	46.00
American Tar Co., 4,294 gal. MC3 Tar and 3,087 gal. MC5	1,417.74
American Tar Co., 1,358 gal. MC5	260.84
Berkshire Gravel Co., 103 T. $\frac{3}{8}$ and 147.2 $\frac{1}{2}$ stone	462.87

CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE, FROST ROAD

State Appropriation	\$ 500.00
County Appropriation	500.00
Town Appropriation	500.00
Reserve	.20
Total Available	<hr/> \$1,500.20

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$131.20
Amos Gallant, pickup	49.20
Roy Simmons, operator	96.00
Roy Simmons, labor	22.40
Fred Connor, operator	51.20
Fred Connor, truck	114.00
Emil Schulze, labor	126.00
R. Galliher, labor	11.20
Town of Washington, loader	112.00
Town of Becket, bulldozer	140.00
Joseph Gillett, truck	123.50
Arthur Moon, truck	76.00
William Engwer, truck	114.00
Fred Munn, truck	133.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	104.50
Frances Brown, gravel	96.00
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CHAPTER 81

Town Appropriation	\$ 795.00
State Appropriation	14,575.00
Total Available	<hr/> \$15,370.00

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$1,602.40
Amos Gallant, pickup	611.70
Roy Simmons, labor	584.80
Roy Simmons, operator	679.30
Edward Gallant, operator	12.80
Edward Gallant, labor	537.00
Emil Schulze, labor	1,106.30

Ronald Wood, labor	\$268.80
Town of Washington, loader	906.50
Town of Washington, rake	39.75
Joseph Gillett, truck	484.50
A. Desrosier, labor	465.50
Town of Becket, bulldozer	190.00
Claude Goodell, truck	336.00
Fred Connor, truck	258.75
Norman Radwich, power mower	336.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	558.13
Edward Murray, truck	152.00
Bruce Burnham, labor	18.20
R. Galliher, labor	12.80
Beacco & Sons, spreader	24.00
Becket Gen. Store, bits and brace	6.25
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	\$9,191.48

CHAPTER 81—MATERIAL

Carl Sternagle, 64 ft. selected pine	\$ 10.72
Lane Construction Co., 107.6 T. Steamix	672.50
Becket Gen. Store	
2 knives	5.30
6 brooms	16.50
4 shovels	10.58
1 snath	4.75
1 P. S. Level	15.00
2 gal. paint	7.90
Frances Brown, 960 yards gravel	96.00
N. E. Metal Culvert, 48 ft. culvert and couplings	46.55
American Tar Co., 4,091 gal. MC5, tar	785.79
Frank Howard, Inc., 4 scythe stones	2.60
Leona Fassell, 420 yards gravel	42.00
Berkshire Gravel	
55.85 $\frac{1}{2}$ stone	103.33
214.45 $\frac{3}{8}$ stone	353.85
37.5 $\frac{3}{8}$ stone	61.88
Berkshire Mill Supply, $\frac{3}{8}$ chain hooks and link	11.21
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	\$2,246.46

CHAPTER 81—SNOW REMOVAL

L. P. Adams, 22 T Road salt	\$ 478.06
Roy Gordon, labor	2.50
Richard Galliher, labor	3.00
Amos Gallant, Superintendent	422.40
Amos Gallant, pickup	175.80
Roy Simmons, operator	443.20
Roy Simmons, labor	20.00
Edward Gallant, labor	165.60
Emil Schulze, labor	198.68
Leon Harris, plowing snow	12.00
Berkshire Gravel Co., 348.78 T. Sand	348.70
Peer Bros., truck	66.00
Town of Washington, plow	530.25
Joseph furlong, plowing snow	172.75
Joseph Furlong, truck	34.00
Elizabeth Furlong, truck	193.38
Elizabeth Furlong, plow	247.50
Claude Goodell, truck	418.00
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	\$3,931.82

Total Amount Appropriated for entire Chapter 81	\$15,370.00
Total Amount Expended for entire Chapter 81	\$15,369.76
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Unexpended	\$.24

EDEN GLEN POND

Appropriated	\$50.00
Transferred from reserve	29.95
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Total Available	\$79.95

Fred Connor, bulldozer operator	\$12.80	
Town of Becket, bulldozer	40.00	
Adolph Desrosier, labor	11.20	
Emil Schulze	11.20	
Joseph Furlong	4.75	
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Total Expended		\$79.95

CEMETERIES

Appropriated	\$200.00
Roy Simmons, mowing and care	\$200.00

BERKSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT
PENSION AND EXPENSE FUND

Appropriated	\$735.95
John J. Shields, Treasurer	\$735.95

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriated		\$1,300.00
E. H. Pierce & Co.,		
Aud. Additional Premium	\$294.52	
Standard Policy	645.78	
Auditor's final audit	311.01	
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Total Expended		\$1,251.31
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Unexpended		\$ 48.69

SONS' AND DAUGHTERS' REUNION

Appropriated	\$25.00
Marguerite Schulze, Treasurer	\$25.00

DISABILITY AID

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

BRIDGES

Appropriated	\$200.00
Transferred from reserve	11.40

Total Available	\$211.40
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Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$ 19.20
Amos Gallant, pickup	7.20
Roy Simmons, labor	22.40
Emil Schulze, labor	22.40
Edward Gallant, labor	11.20
Joseph Gillett, 4 yd. truck	19.00
Kelly Lumber, 1,000 bd. feet 3 in. plank	110.00

Total Expended	\$211.40
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ZONING BY-LAW

Appropriated	\$300.00
F. M. Myers, legal fees	\$300.00

OFFICERS' BONDS

Appropriated	\$60.00
C. D. Hebb Co., Town Clerk	\$ 5.00
Town Treasurer	13.00
Dep. Tax Collector	5.00
Mass. Bond I Co., Tax Collector	26.25

Total Expended	49.25
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Unexpended	\$10.75
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EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE AGENT

Appropriated	\$65.00
Harry C. Shaw, services	\$65.00

GENERAL RELIEF

Appropriated	\$500.00
Case No. 1	251.40

Unexpended	\$248.60
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DISCOUNT ON NOTES

Appropriated	\$500.00
Day Trust Co., Interest on notes	470.37
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Unexpended	\$29.63

FOREST WARDEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Ernest Schulze, Permits, storing and cleaning equipment	7.10
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Unexpended	\$92.90

OLD BILLS

Appropriated	\$50.00
Margaret Schulze, Auditor, 1955	\$25.00
Ernest Schulze, Tree Warden	\$25.00
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Total Expended	\$50.00

TREE WARDEN EXPENSE

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

GYPSY MOTH CONTROL

Appropriated	\$95.00
Unexpended	\$95.00

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriated	\$50.00
Western Mass. Electric, Town Hall lights	\$14.64
C. D. Treasurer, doughnuts at C. D. meeting	3.00
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Total Expended	17.64
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Unexpended	\$32.36

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Appropriated		\$100.00
Joseph N. Blotz, Animal Inspector	\$35.00	
Zigmund Zaleski, Dog Tax Officer	10.00	
Roland Daigle, Sealer Weights and Meas.	10.00	
Edw. Rushbrook, Inspector Wiring	10.00	
Joseph N. Blotz, Inspector Slaughtering	20.00	
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Total Expended		\$85.00
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Unexpended		\$15.00

SNOW REMOVAL (TOWN ACCOUNT)

Appropriated		\$5,793.00
Reserve		43.44
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Total Available		\$5,836.44
Joseph Furlong, Jr., set plow blades	\$ 68.46	
Amos Gallant, Superintendent	752.00	
Amos Gallant, pickup	275.40	
Roy Simmons, operator	704.80	
Roy Simmons, labor	73.50	
Federal Tool & Steel Co.,		
624 lbs. blade steel	290.70	
Town of Washington, snow plow	1,288.00	
Edw. Gallant, labor	42.70	
Elizabeth Furlong, truck	297.25	
Elizabeth Furlong, snow plow	585.00	
Emil Schulze, labor	134.40	
Claude Goodell, truck	367.50	
Joseph Gillett, truck	68.88	
L. P. Adams, 89 T salt	292.13	
Joseph Furlong, truck	482.25	
Joseph Furlong, snow plow	249.25	
Berkshire Gravel, C Sand	717.90	
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Total Expended		\$6,690.12

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation	\$1,050.00
Transferred from reserve	42.00

Total Available	\$1,092.00
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James S. Brown, School Committee	\$ 10.00	
James S. Brown, Assessor	50.00	
James S. Brown, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
Florence Simmons, Ballot Clerk	12.00	
Elizabeth Gallant, Ballot Clerk	12.00	
Leon Sheean, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
Margaret Schulze, Tax Collector	150.00	
Ernest Schulze, Ballot Clerk	6.00	
Ernest Schulze, Tree Warden	25.00	
Margaret Schulze, Auditor	25.00	
Emil Schulze, Selectman	50.00	
Emil Schulze, Assessor	50.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Selectman	50.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Assessor, (Clerk)	60.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Town Clerk and Treas.	250.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Registrations	8.00	
Edith Wagner, School Committee (Clerk)	50.00	
Edward Rushbrook, Assessor	50.00	
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Assessor	50.00	
Harry C. Shaw, Chairman Selectmen	150.00	
Harry C. Shaw, Registrations	18.00	
Yvonne Campbell, School Committee	10.00	

Total Expended	\$1,092.00
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EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriated	\$200.00
Expended	\$200.00
Transferred from O.A.A. Administration	\$48.21
Virginia Palmer, Treas., Eastern Berk. Welfare District	\$48.21
Transferred from A.D.C. Administration	\$27.58
Virginia Palmer, Treas., Eastern Berk. Welfare District	\$27.58

BECKET TOWN DUMP

Appropriated	\$25.00
Unexpended	\$25.00

MACHINERY

Appropriated	\$4,656.21
Pittsfield Retread and Tire Co.	
1-1300 24 retread tire	\$ 94.50
Recap and vulcanize loader tire	149.22
Amos Gallant, tractor plates	3.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., garage phone	64.88
Berkshire Eagle, legal advertisement	2.65
Western Mass. Electric, garage power and light	55.60
L. P. Adams, 4-14 ft. 2-12 ft. 2 x 6 lumber	11.70
Joseph Gillett, loader parts and repairs	19.25
Joseph Gillett, 2-12 V headlights and switch	20.00
Joseph Gillett, labor and electric parts	6.90
Levernoch Bros., 2,050 gals. gasoline	468.70
12 gals. machine oil	12.12
90 gals. kerosene	14.67
Pittsfield Welding Co., oxygen and demurrage	55.52
Carl H. Peer, blade plow	100.00
Central Garage,	
tractor parts	2.70
repairing loader and parts	366.35
6 qts. No. 10 oil	2.40
Shellzone	9.75
battery, labor and parts and attach plow	81.28
repair sander	2.95
parts and labor on loader	35.89
Becket General Store	
enamel, oil, bolts and brushes	21.39
4 gals. paint, 2 gals turp. brushes and roofing materials	44.66
6-60 watt bulbs	1.14
1 gal. gray, 2 gals. orange paint	12.50
Berkshire Screen Door Inc., Barcol Overdoor	328.90
George Burnham, labor installing	42.00

State Equipment Co., repairs to bucket cylinder	\$ 68.72	
*Socony Oil Co., 52.3 gals. gasoline	14.60	
Eastern Equipment Sales, wheel hub	4.74	
Day Trust Co., loader note	1,000.00	
Day Trust Co., interest on notes	61.25	
Graves Equipment Co., loader springs and universal parts	54.12	
Bradford Glass Co., safety glass	9.50	
Roy Simmons, labor on loader	33.60	
Carr Hardware Co., bolts and nuts	6.03	
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Total Expended		\$3,283.18
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Unexpended		\$1,373.03

VETERANS' AID

Appropriated		\$2,000.00
Case No. 1 McKesson & Robbins, Inc., medicines	\$999.51	
Case No. 2 food and fuel	246.00	
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Total Expended		\$1,245.51
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Unexpended		\$ 754.49

REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE EXPENSE

Appropriated		\$100.00
Edward Rushbrook, transportation	\$ 9.60	
H. E. Drew, 100 brochures	10.00	
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Total Expended		19.60
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Unexpended		\$80.40

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriated	\$2,500.00	
Expended from Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Federal Grant balance 1/1/56	\$ 485.11	
Federal Grant received	<u>1,380.68</u>	
Total Federal		1,865.79
Expenditures from Federal Grant		<u>1,197.58</u>
Federal Grant balance		\$ 668.21
Received from Commonwealth	\$1,450.14	
Net Cost to Town	\$ 866.76	

Payroll Expenditures

January 1 to January 15	\$139.80	
January 15 to January 31	164.66	
February 1 to February 15	139.80	
February 15 to February 29	161.55	
March 1 to March 15	139.80	
March 15 to March 31	186.05	
April 1 to April 15	193.55	
April 15 to April 30	193.75	
May 1 to May 15	171.05	
May 15 to May 31	250.36	
June 1 to June 15	171.75	
June 15 to June 30	173.30	
July 1 to July 15	131.65	
July 15 to July 31	123.65	
August 1 to August 15	92.30	
August 15 to August 31	169.10	
September 1 to September 15	112.70	
September 15 to September 30	175.66	
October 1 to October 15	112.70	
October 15 to October 31	148.90	
November 1 to November 15	115.70	
November 15 to November 30	140.95	
December 1 to December 15	139.50	
December 15 to December 31	<u>149.35</u>	
Total Expended		\$3,697.58

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriated	\$6,000.00	
Expended from Appropriation		\$6,000.00
Federal Grant balance 1/1/56	\$2,458.46	
Federal Grants received	2,194.39	
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Federal Total		\$4,652.85
Expenditures from Federal Grants		\$1,678.86
Federal Grant balance 1/1/57	\$2,973.99	
Received from Commonwealth	3,392.14	
Received from other Towns	353.83	
Recovery on lien awaiting distribution (Federal and State)	175.50	
Net Cost to Town	1,758.50	

Payroll Expenditures

January 1 to January 15	\$101.15
January 15 to January 31	494.16
February 1 to February 15	101.15
February 15 to February 29	500.51
March 1 to March 15	101.15
March 15 to March 31	460.11
April 1 to April 15	101.15
April 15 to April 30	481.24
May 1 to May 15	101.15
May 15 to May 31	518.57
June 1 to June 15	101.15
June 15 to June 30	487.50
July 1 to July 15	105.25
July 15 to July 31	570.54
August 1 to August 15	140.45
August 15 to August 31	540.05
September 1 to September 15	135.35

September 4 Out of Town	\$ 81.33
September 15 to September 30	701.15
October 1 to October 15	135.35
October 15 to October 31	544.26
November 1 to November 15	100.15
November 15 to November 30	545.80
December 1 to December 15	100.15
December 15 to December 31	277.01
December 31 Out of Town	153.03

Total Expended

\$7,678.86

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Appropriated	\$50.00
Ernest Schulze, labor	\$30.80
Unexpended	\$19.20

BECKET FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	\$500.00
Expended	\$500.00

BECKET FIREMEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriated	\$50.00
Unexpended	\$50.00

CARE OF INFANTS (Board of Health)

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

RESERVE

Appropriated		\$500.00
Transferred to:		
Snow Removal	\$285.72	
Miscellaneous	78.77	
Extra Janitor Service	41.00	
Eden Glen Pond	29.95	
Chapter 90 Maint.	.35	
Bridges	11.40	
Frost Road	.20	
Pittsfield Road	1.01	
Chapter 90 '56-'57	.11	
Town Officers	42.00	
Total Expended		\$490.51
Unexpended		\$9.49

INSURANCE ON BUILDINGS

Appropriated		\$1,000.00
E. H. Pierce & Co.		
liability in town buildings	\$ 10.00	
school boiler	111.48	
town equipment	180.70	
policy 20-393 106 bldgs.	559.42	
Total Expended		861.60
Unexpended		\$138.40

EXTRA JANITOR SERVICE

Appropriated		\$100.00
Transferred from reserve		41.00
		\$141.00
Roy Simmons, janitor	\$135.00	
Andrew Methe, substitution (2)	6.00	
Total Expended		\$141.00

REPAIRS TO SCHOOL BUILDING

Appropriated		\$1,000.00
Arthur L. Johnson, labor and material	\$849.84	
Arthur L. Johnson, time clock and service	37.60	
Hampden Cornice Co., repairs to roof	98.00	
Frissell's Store, paint	7.20	
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Total Expended		992.64
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Unexpended		\$ 7.36

MISCELLANEOUS

Appropriated	\$700.00
Transferred from reserve	78.77
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Total Available	\$778.77

Mass. Selectmen's Ass'n., 1956 dues	\$ 10.00
Mass. Collectors' and Treas. Ass'n., dues	4.00
Mass. Assessors' 1956 dues	9.00
Emil Schulze, 1½ days perambulating	15.00
Walter Beckwith, ½ day perambulating	5.00
Walter Beckwith, use of jeep	2.00
Eagle Printing & Binding Co.	
135 copies Town Reports	256.75
50 Town Report envelopes	1.00
2 lots Town Ballots	41.50
1000 letterheads	15.57
Henry Bishop, Assessors' file and type-	
writer	40.00
Stevenson & Co., blast bond	10.00
Pittsfield National Bank, checkbooks	
printed	12.64
William Shandoff	
record book and H, graph	17.15
5 county maps	1.50

Hobbs & Warren, cash book and forms	\$34.80
recap sheets, warrants and birth forms	12.12
Harry C. Shaw, mileage, postage, tel. & tel.	92.27
Berkshire County Selectmen's Ass'n., '56 dues	6.00
Mass. Town Clerk's Ass'n., '56 dues	7.50
Dorothy Durant	
stamped Treas. envelopes	37.26
stamped Tax Collector envelopes	18.93
Nelson Foote, filing fee	5.00
Barre Gazette, tax forms	10.37
C. A. R. Simmons, repairs to typewriter	11.00
recording, births, deaths and marriages	13.50
postage, mileage and phones	30.22
H. B. Dine, certifying notes	12.00
Marguerite Schulze, postage, mileage and phone	7.18
Andrew Methe, postage, mileage and stationery	3.11
Emil Schulze, mileage and expense	29.00
Zigmund Zaleski, mileage	2.40
Donald Hall, legal services	5.00
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Total Expended	\$778.77

RECAPITULATION

Old Age Assistance	\$ 7,678.86
Aid to Dependent Children	3,697.58
Sons' and Daughters' Reunion	25.00
Miscellaneous	778.77
Regional School Expense	19.60
Snow Removal, Town	6,690.12
Cemeteries	200.00
Insurance to Buildings	861.60
Civil Defense	17.64
Chapter 81	15,369.76

Discount on Notes	\$ 470.37
Officers' Bonds	49.25
Dutch Elm Disease	30.80
Workmen's Compensation	1,251.31
Janitor	141.00
Becket Fire Department	500.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare	200.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare from O.A.A. Administration	48.21
Eastern Berkshire Welfare from A.D.C. Administration	27.58
Berkshire County Retirement	735.95
Appointed Officers	85.00
Machinery	3,283.18
Town Officers	1,092.00
Veterans' Aid	1,245.51
Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administrator	65.00
Old Bills	50.00
School Repairs	992.64
General Relief	251.40
Forest Warden	7.10
Bridges	211.40
Zoning By-law	300.00
Eden Glen Pond	79.95
Chapter 90	21,001.01
Chapter 90, Special '56-'57	1,000.11
Chapter 90, Maintenance	3,000.35
Chapter 90, Maintenance Frost Road	1,500.20
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	\$72,958.25

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SHAW

C. A. R. SIMMONS

EMIL SCHULZE

Board of Selectmen.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1956		\$29,375.32
1951 Real Estate	\$	57.71
Interest		10.38
1952 Real Estate		56.73
Interest		8.97
1952 Personal		67.26
Interest		10.42
1953 Excise		7.56
Interest		.90
1953 Personal		82.88
Interest		7.72
1953 Real Estate		33.60
Interest		3.52
1954 Personal		35.88
Interest		.82
1954 Real Estate		883.91
Interest		52.50
1954 Excise		45.91
Interest		4.28
1955 Real Estate		2,546.37
Interest		60.00
1955 Personal		335.78
Interest		10.24
1955 Excise		1,158.78
Interest		37.15
1955 Poll		12.00
Interest		.42
1956 Real Estate		12,645.86
Interest		.58
1956 Personal		2,086.89
Interest		1.00
1956 Poll		124.00
Interest		.34
1956 Excise		1,546.39
Interest		1.38
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		\$21,938.13

Selectmen's Licenses	\$ 655.00
Loader and Tractor Earnings	
Town of Washington	4,058.50
Town of Becket	316.80
Town of Hinsdale	135.00
James S. Brown	4.40
Amos Gallant	14.00
Withholding Tax Deductions	2,580.20
Berkshire County Retirement, deduction	571.12
Sporting Licenses	186.50
Dog License refund, County	126.43
Dog License	139.40
School Lunch Program	858.76
School Lunch Program, State	395.18
Old Age Assistance, State	3,392.14
Old Age Assistance, Federal	2,194.39
Old Age Assistance, other towns	353.83
Old Age Assistance, recovery	175.50
Old Age Assistance Administration	19.09
Old Age Assistance Meal Tax	174.94
Aid to Dependent Children, State	1,450.14
Aid to Dependent Children, Federal	1,380.68
Aid to Dependent Children, Admin.	11.76
Comm'r. Vets Service	691.04
Chapter 81, 1955 Contract	5,174.52
Chapter 81, 1956 Contract	9,700.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance, State	1,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance, County	1,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction (1955) State	8,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction (1955) County	4,999.38
Use of Auditorium	2.00
U & S Beef & Provisions Corp., damage	90.00
State reimbursement on new school	2,504.27
Loss of Taxes	9,481.71
Child Guardianship	218.42
Education and Transportation	6,993.60
Vocational Education	458.76
School Superintendent	787.34

School Aid, Chapter 70	\$5,700.00	
Income Tax	196.34	
State Tax Apportionment	296.80	
Day Trust Co., Chapter 81 Loan	14,575.00	
Day Trust Co., Chapter 90 C. Loan	22,000.00	
Day Trust Co., New Truck Loan	4,000.00	
Day Trust Co., Interest	14.21	
City of Pittsfield	3,235.00	
Corporation Tax	791.85	
Division of Livestock disease control	17.50	
Sealer of weights and measures	4.00	
Berkshire County Savings, Interest	39.85	
C. A. R. Simmons, Use of welder and scraper blade	5.00	
Flood Relief Board	2,954.41	
Wild Cat Bounty	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$124,144.76

Total Receipts for year 1956	\$175,458.21
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EXPENDITURES

Selectmen's Orders	\$72,958.25	
School	24,061.11	
Collector of Internal Revenue	2,580.20	
School Lunch Program	1,379.41	
Berkshire County Retirement	571.12	
State Audit	248.86	
State Parks	61.70	
Berkshire County Mosquito Control	75.62	
Day Trust Co., Chapter 81 Loan	14,575.00	
Day Trust Co., Chapter 90 C. Loan	22,000.00	
Day Trust Co., School Note	5,000.00	
Day Trust Co., Interest	1,704.00	
County Tax	993.04	
Dog License	139.40	
Tax Refunds	57.90	
Division of Fisheries and Game	186.50	
	<hr/>	\$146,592.11

PITTSFIELD NATIONAL BANK

Balance December 31, 1956		\$50,376.38
Balance as per check book Dec. 31, 1956	\$21,245.75	
Outstanding checks, as per list Dec. 31	29,130.63	
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Balance Pittsfield National Bank

Checking Account	\$21,245.75	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1956	2,260.22	
Berkshire County Savings Bank	1,359.05	
Day Trust Co.	4,001.08	
	<hr/>	\$28,866.10

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,
Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Dog Licenses

Males, 41 at \$2.00	\$ 82.00
Females, 6 at \$5.00	30.00
Spayed females, 15 at \$2.00	30.00
Kennel, 1 at \$10.00	10.00

 \$152.00

Fees retained	12.60
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Paid Treasurer	\$139.40
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Sporting Licenses

Resident Citizen's

Fishing	10 at \$ 3.25	\$ 32.50
Hunting	25 at 3.25	81.25
Sporting	5 at 5.25	26.25
Minor fishing	5 at 1.25	6.25
Female fishing	7 at 2.25	15.75

Non-Resident

Fishing	1 at 7.75	7.75
Hunting	2 at 15.25	30.50

 \$200.25

Fees retained	13.75
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Paid Treasurer	\$186.50
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Deaths

1956

- Jan. 6 Annie Coombs, age 67
 Jan. 28 Annie Marie Fleming, age 86
 Jan. 26 Clara Moulton, age 87
 Jan. 27 Ernest William Stannard, age 77
 Mar. 4 Mark F. Zinck, age 61
 June 13 Emma Moberg, age 89
 Aug. 18 Harry W. Madigan, age 69
 Aug. 19 LeRoy Sherman, age 84
 Sept. 28 Walter B. Bartsch, age 82
 Oct. 6 Roscoe Blanchard, age 84
 Oct. 23 William D. Walden, age 70
 Dec. 24 Carrie M. Hatton, age 81

Marriages

1956

- May 12 Louis Andrew Marusarz and Marjorie Esther Goodell
 June 23 Fred Landau Drosehn and Laura E. Sanderson
 July 7 David Russel Gillett and Bette Mae Hunt
 Nov. 22 Irving Henry Radwich and Leona May McNeil

Births

1956

- Jan. 24 Norman Frank O'Brien, son of Norman T. O'Brien and Bernice Margaret Newton O'Brien.
 April 9 Margaret Mary Rock, daughter of Henry E. Rock, Jr., and Janet Louise Belanger Rock.
 May 28 Richard Bruce Rock, son of James H. Rock and Evelyn Doris Leighton Rock.
 July 20 Terry Lee Hanson, daughter of Fred T. Hanson, Jr., and Doris E. Mortenson Hanson.
 Sept. 2 Elizabeth Orianna Furlong, daughter of Joseph H. Furlong, Jr., and Elizabeth Orianna Ellsworth.
 Sept. 15 Mark Allen Levernoch, son of Erwin Levernoch and Mary Alice Carrington Levernoch.

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS
Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

1956 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriation to be raised by taxation	\$51,112.95	
Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds:		
In 1956	\$12,860.21	
In 1955	4,695.00	
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		\$68,668.16
Flood Emergency overdraft Sec. 31, Chap. 41		3,044.01
State: Tax and Assessments:	1956	1955
State Parks and Reservations	\$ 36.08	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	248.86	
Mosquito Control	75.59	
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	\$360.53	\$360.53
County: Tax and Assessments:		
County Tax	\$1,004.11	35.29
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		\$1,039.40
Overlay of current year		655.72
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Gross amount to be raised		\$73,767.82
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:		
Income Tax		\$5,919.19
Corporation Taxes		704.81
Reimbursement on publicly owned land		9,297.05
Old Age Tax (Meals)		182.30
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		2,100.00
Licenses		650.00
Protection of Persons and Property		15.00
Charities		1,610.00
Old Age Assistance		3,700.00
Veterans' Services		875.00
Schools		7,150.00
Interest on Taxes and Assessments		200.00
Chapter 375, Acts of 1954,		
City of Pittsfield		3,235.00
Flood damage reimbursement 90%		2,739.61
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Total Estimated Receipts		\$38,377.96

Overestimates:

State Parks and Reservations	\$5.51
Berkshire County Projects	4.21

Amounts taken from available funds:

Appropriations voted

4-23-55	\$2,295.00
10-26-55	1,800.00
12-27-55	600.00
2-11-56	12,860.21

 \$17,555.21

Total available funds	\$17,564.93
Total estimated receipts and available funds	\$55,942.89
Net amount raised by taxation on polls and property	\$17,824.93

Number of Polls 68	Tax	\$	136.00
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Property:

Personal	Value	\$ 43,907.00	Tax	2,502.70
Real Estate	Value	266,475.00	Tax	15,186.23

 Total \$310,332.00

Total taxes levied on polls and property	\$17,824.93
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1956 TABLE OF AGGREGATES

<i>Number of Persons Assessed</i>	<i>Individuals</i>	<i>All Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
On Personal Estate only	3	4	7
On Real Estate only	89	10	99
On Both Personal and Real Estate	39	3	42
Total number of persons assessed			148
Total number of polls assessed			80

Value of assessed personal estate

Stock in trade	\$18,200.00
Machinery	17,035.00
Live Stock	4,147.00
All other tangible personal property	4,525.00

Total value of assessed personal estate	\$43,907.00
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Value of assessed real estate		
Land exclusive of buildings	\$ 67,780.00	
Buildings exclusive of land	198,645.00	
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Total valuation of assessed estate		<hr/> \$310,332.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000.00—\$57.00		
Taxes, including overlay		
On personal estate	\$ 2,502.70	
On real estate	15,186.23	
On polls	136.00	
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Total taxes assessed		\$17,824.93
Number of live stock assessed		
Horses		4
Neat Cattle		56
Bulls		1
Heifers		16
Sheep		34
Fowl		45
All other		5
Number of acres of land assessed		8,786
Number of dwelling houses assessed		103

C. A. R. SIMMONS
 JAMES BROWN
 FRED HANSON, JR.
 EDWARD RUSHBROOK
 EMIL SCHULZE

Assessors of Washington

1956 TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1951 Property Taxes

Outstanding according to		Collected and paid	
1955 Town Report	\$57.71	Treasurer	\$57.71

1951 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$10.38

1952 PERSONAL AND REAL ESTATE TAXES

Outstanding according to		Collected and paid	
1955 Town Report	\$166.89	Treas., per. tax	\$67.26
Uncollected real estate	42.90	real estate	56.73

1952 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$19.39

1953 PERSONAL AND REAL ESTATE TAXES

Pd. Treas. in 1953		Real Estate Warrant	\$15,785.09
real estate taxes	\$10,686.57	Personal Warrant	1,458.40
Abated real estate taxes	59.36	Poll Tax Warrant	128.00

Abated in 1954	
and refunded	141.60

Abated in 1954	8.00
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Pd. Treas. in 1954	
real estate taxes	3,890.60

Pd. Treas. in 1955	
real estate taxes	867.00

Abated in 1955	
real estate	27.52

Pd. Treas. in 1956		
real estate taxes	\$ 33.60	
Abated real estate taxes	5.92	
Uncollected		
real estate taxes	154.92	
Pd. Treas. in 1953		
personal taxes	1,059.52	
Pd. Treas in 1954		
personal taxes	229.98	
Pd. Treas. in 1955		
personal taxes	64.58	
Pd. Treas. in 1956		
personal taxes	82.88	
Abated in 1955		
personal taxes	19.20	
Uncollected		
personal taxes	2.24	
Pd. Treas.		
poll taxes	120.00	
Abated poll taxes	8.00	
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	\$17,461.49	\$17,461.49

1953 Excise Taxes collected in 1956—\$7.56

1953 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$12.14

1954 PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Pd. Treas.		Real Estate Warrant	\$17,624.46
real estate taxes	\$13,203.63	Additional Warrant	30.73
Abated real estate	62.09	Personal Tax Warrant	2,891.98
Pd. Treas. in 1955	3,084.92	Poll Tax Warrant	150.00
Abated in 1955	84.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1955	883.91		
Uncollected			
real estate tax	336.64		
Pd. Treas. in 1954			
personal taxes	2,309.86		
Pd. Treas. in 1955			
personal taxes	338.87		
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
personal taxes	35.88		
Uncollected			
personal taxes	207.37		
Pd. Treas. in 1954			
poll taxes	102.00		
Abated in 1954			
poll taxes	20.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1955			
poll taxes	24.00		
Uncollected	4.00		
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	\$20,697.17		\$20,697.17

1954 EXCISE TAXES

Collected and paid		Excise Warrants	\$2,148.15
Treas. in 1954	\$1,553.14	Additional Warrants	
Collected and		in 1955	425.67
refunded in 1954	20.69		
Abated in 1954	31.26		
Collected and paid			
Treas. in 1955	800.04		
Collected and refunded			
in 1955	44.72		
Collected in 1956	45.91		
Uncollected	78.06		
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	\$2,573.82		\$2,573.82

1954 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$57.60

1955 PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Pd. Treas. in 1955		Real Estate Warrant	\$14,154.86
real estate taxes	\$11,002.78	Personal Tax Warrant	2,481.55
Abated	48.78	Poll Tax Warrant	166.00
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
real estate taxes	2,546.37		
Uncollected	556.93		
Pd. Treas. in 1955			
personal taxes	1,983.24		
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
personal taxes	335.78		
Uncollected			
personal taxes	162.53		
Pd. Treas. in 1955			
poll taxes	124.00		
Abated	22.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
poll taxes	12.00		
Uncollected poll taxes	8.00		
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	\$16,802.41		\$16,802.41

1955 EXCISE TAXES

Collected and paid		Warrants	\$2,891.20
Treas. in 1955	\$1,388.90	Additional Warrant	93.86
Collected and refunded	101.85		
Abated	76.91		
Collected in 1956 and			
Paid Treas.	1,158.78		
Uncollected	258.62		
	<u>\$2,985.06</u>		<u>\$2,985.06</u>

1955 interest collected in 1956—\$107.87

1956 PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Pd. Treas. in 1956		Real Estate Warrant	\$15,186.23
real estate taxes	\$12,645.86	Personal Warrant	2,502.70
Abatements	210.34	Poll Tax Warrant	136.00
Uncollected	2,330.03		
Pd. Treas.			
personal taxes	2,086.89		
Uncollected	415.81		
Pd. Treas.			
poll taxes	124.00		
Uncollected	12.00		
	<u>\$17,824.93</u>		<u>\$17,824.93</u>

1956 EXCISE TAXES

1956 Excise Collected	\$1,488.49	Excise Warrants	\$4,170.53
Abated and refunded	57.90		
Abated	84.17		
Uncollected	2,539.97		
	<u>\$4,170.53</u>		<u>\$4,170.53</u>

1956 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$3.30

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE E. SCHULZE,
Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Agent's report to the Town of Washington:

Washington has been a member town of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District for four years and continues to be an active town in the District.

Monthly meetings are held at the District Office in Hinsdale and attended by a member from the Board of Public Welfare of each town and the Agent to talk over matters pertaining to problems in each community as well as problems of administration detail.

During the past year thirteen (13) cases have been serviced with a present case load of 5 on Old Age Assistance, 2 on Aid to Dependent Children and 1 on General Relief Assistance.

Effective 7/1/56 an increase of 5.8% was given all recipients not residing in Nursing Homes. This was due to the increase in the cost of living index, as reported by the Division of "Necessities of Life" to the Department of Public Welfare.

An amendment of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1956 which amends Chapter 118A, Section 1 extends the benefits of Old Age Assistance to non-citizens who have resided in the United States for twenty years. At present, this amendment does not affect the Washington case load.

One of the 1956 amendments to the Social Security Act provides for an increase in the Federal participation on assistance payments, effective October 1, 1956.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation for the excellent cooperation of the town officials during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPHINE H. EAMES,

Agent.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriated	\$6,000.00	
Expended from Appropriation		\$6,000.00
Federal Grant balance 1/1/56	2,458.46	
Federal Grants received	2,194.39	
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Total		\$4,652.85
Expenditures from Federal Grant Account		1,678.86
Federal Grant balance 1/1/57	\$2,973.99	
Received from Commonwealth	3,392.14	
Received from Towns	353.83	
Recovery on lien awaiting Distribution (Federal and State)	175.50	
Net Cost to Town	1,758.50	

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriated	\$2,500.00	
Expended from Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Federal Grant balance 1/1/56	\$ 485.11	
Federal Grant received	1,380.68	
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Total		\$1,865.79
Expenditures from Federal Grant		1,197.58
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Federal Grant balance 1/1/57		\$ 668.21
Received from Commonwealth	\$1,450.14	
Net Cost to Town (Expenditures less receipts)	866.76	

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Appropriated	\$500.00
Expended from Appropriation	230.95
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Balance to be returned to Town General Funds	\$269.05

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/56	\$48.21
Transferred to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	48.21
Received from Federal Grants	\$19.09
Balance 1/1/57	19.09

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/56	\$27.58
Transferred to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	\$27.58
Received from Federal Grants	\$11.76
Balance 1/1/57	11.76

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriation	200.00
Paid to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District Treasurer	\$200.00

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Appropriated	\$100.00	
Expended from appropriation		none
Balance	\$100.00	
This amount to be returned to Town General Funds		
Federal Grant balance 1/1/57		\$54.24

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES 1956

	District	Hinsdale	Becket	Peru	Washington
On hand 1/1/56	\$ 1655.94	\$ 775.24	\$ 461.16	\$ 296.11	\$123.43
Reimbursement	7471.84	3926.57	2424.50	643.29	477.48
Paid in by towns	3722.72	2043.57	1203.36	200.00	275.79
Total	12,850.50	6745.38	4089.02	1139.40	876.70
Warrants	10,711.42	5628.53	3476.17	919.29	687.43
Balance	2139.08	1116.85	612.85	220.11	189.27
Net op. expense 1956	3239.58	1701.96	1051.67	276.00	209.95
Percent of Case Load:					
1/1/56 to 6/30/56		52.5	32.5	8.3	6.7
7/1/56 to 12/31/56		52.6	32.4	8.9	6.1
1/1/57 to 6/30/57		54.5	31.3	8.0	6.2

BUDGET FOR 1957

Salaries	\$10,015.00	1957 Budget	\$13,400.00
Agent's Travel Expenses	500.00		
Rent and Maintenance	700.00	State Reimbursement	4467.00
Postage	250.00	Federal Reimbursement	5025.00
Telephone	250.00		
Electricity	50.00	Total	\$9492.00
Retirement Fund	507.89	Net Cost to Towns	3908.00
Bond for Treasurer	15.00		
Heat	225.00		
Office Supplies	200.00	Hinsdale	2130.00
Office Equipment	500.00	Becket	1223.00
Repair of Office Equipment	50.00	Peru	313.00
Insurance	44.00	Washington	242.00
Miscellaneous	93.11		
	\$13,400.00	Total	3908.00

Transferred from O.A.A. Administration \$48.21
 Virginia Palmer, Treas. East. Berk. Welfare Dist. 48.21
 Transferred from A.D.C. Administration \$27.58
 Virginia Palmer, Treas. East. Berk. Welfare Dist. \$27.58

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation	\$23,812.00
Appropriation	250.00
Total Appropriation	<hr/> \$24,062.00
Stella D. Wilkie, teacher	\$2,717.00
Mrs. A. Ray Kimball, teacher	2,679.00
Mrs. John Gardner, substitute	16.00
Mrs. Harry Madigan, Jr., art teacher	300.00
Mass. Audubon Society, nature teacher	140.63
Earl C. Sutor, Superintendent	1,329.88
Superintendent's expenses	187.42
Mass. Retirement Board	354.04
Textbooks	122.28
Stationery and supplies	174.36
Janitor	750.00
Fuel	1,219.05
Light and Telephone	417.42
Repairs	101.28
Health	96.64
Local transportation	2,511.20
High School transportation	4,914.00
High School tuition	5,898.53
Miscellaneous	108.19
All others	24.19
Total Expenditures	<hr/> \$24,061.11
Unexpended balance	.89

EDITH S. WAGNER
YVONNE CAMPBELL
JAMES S. BROWN

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Washington:

Herewith is submitted my twelfth report as Superintendent of your school.

Statistical material, which makes up the major part of this school report, tells the story of how many pupils we have and the amount of each item of expenditure. Let us remember that the expenditures are for the education of the young people of Washington.

The total budget must be appropriated, but I wish to call attention to the amount which the State reimburses the town because of school expenditures. This goes into the General Fund and is figured as a credit in determining the tax rate. Therefore, the "Net Cost" is the amount the town raises for the support of schools. All but \$5.00 per pupil of the transportation costs is reimbursed by the State. The effect of an increase in transportation costs is offset the following year by this reimbursement. The \$1,000 increase in this item will be completely reimbursed next year.

The expenditures for 1956 were close to the budget estimates. The increase in transportation was offset by a decrease in high school tuition. Instructional supplies went over by \$46.00 and lights were \$42.00 over. The fuel was over by \$219.00. With the increase in costs and the increased use of the building by the community, these differences are easily understood.

The 1957 budget is up as follows:

Teachers' salaries	\$550	Necessitated chiefly by the new State minimum salary for teachers. Still paying low salaries for teachers.
Textbooks	} 50 25 500	Increased prices
Instructional Supplies		
Fuel		
Transportation	1000	New contracts after 3 years.
High School Tuition	1422	This item is figured by multiplying the tuition rate by the number of pupils. We have no control over this item.

Superintendent's Salary
and Expenses

100

Superintendent now at minimum
allowed for Union Superintendents
at fourth year of service.

New Equipment

400

This is for a new moving picture
projector.

The High School problem has been studied by the Regional School
Planning Board with a committee from Washington participating. In
the meantime, there has been no change in the acceptance of our high
school pupils on a tuition basis. The tuition rates are:

	1956	1957
Pittsfield High School	\$342	\$338 down \$4.00
Pittsfield Junior High	291	294 up 3.00
Pittsfield Vocational	220	220
Dalton High School	383	355 down 33.00
Dalton Junior High	200	355 up \$155.00

Conclusion:

In conclusion I should like to express my appreciation for the work
of the entire staff and the School Committee for their care of the build-
ing and support of the school. I should like to thank the P. T. A. for
their efforts in behalf of the school and especially for the blacktop area
which they had installed. I should like to commend the ladies who are
responsible for the fine lunch program, and who work on a volunteer
basis. I am also pleased to congratulate Mrs. Wilkie on having com-
pleted her work and having received her degree.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL C. SUITOR,

Superintendent of Schools.

Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1956

Expenditures	\$24,061.11
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Receipts:

Reimbursement from the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts

Chapter 70—State Aid	\$5,679.61
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Superintendent's Salary and
Expenses

787.34

All School Transportation	6,993.60
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Vocational School Tuition	458.76
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State Ward Transportation	218.42
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Total Receipts	\$14,137.73
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Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools for 1956

\$ 9,923.38

Budget for 1956

Teachers' Salaries	\$ 6,206.67
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Textbooks	122.28
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Supplies for Instruction	174.36
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Janitor	750.00
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Fuel	1,219.05
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Lights, telephone and power	417.42
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Repairs	101.28
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Health	96.64
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Transportation	7,425.20
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High School Tuition	5,898.53
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Operating Expenses	108.19
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Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	1,517.30
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All others	24.19
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Total Budget for 1956	\$24,061.11
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1957

Budget for 1957	\$27,864.70
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Estimated Receipts:

Chapter 70 as amended—School Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	787.34
All School Transportation	7,145.00
State Ward Transportation	225.00

Total Estimated Receipts	\$13,836.95
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the Support of Schools for 1957	\$14,027.75
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Enrollment October 1, 1956

High School Enrollment

Dalton High School	15
Pittsfield High School	6
South Junior High School	2
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Total High School	23

Elementary School Enrollment

Grades	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	
Mrs. Wilkie		6 4 3 3
Mrs. Kimball	2 5 5 5	
Total Elementary School Enrollment		33
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Total School Enrollment		56

Graduates—1956**Washington Elementary School**

Cassie Beckwith
 Nancy Burnham
 Kay Wagner
 Donna Wood

John Campbell
 Richard Furlong
 James Gallant
 Rodolphe Rainville

Chester Williams

School Calendar 1956-1957

Sept.	School begins September 5	18 days
Oct.	No school October 12 and 26	21 days
Nov.	No school November 11, 21-23	19 days
Dec.	No school December 22-31	15 days
Jan.	No school January 1	22 days
Feb.	No school February 16-24 inclusive	16 days
Mar.		21 days
April	No school April 13-22 inclusive	17 days
May	No school May 30	22 days
June	School closes for summer June 7	5 days
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		176 days

School Entrance Age:

Pupils must be six years of age as of September 1st. One week grace period will be allowed.

Working Certificates:

Any employment, either part time or full time, of minors 14 to 16 years of age, requires authorization by permit.

An educational certificate is required in connection with either the full time or part time employment of minors between 16 and 18 years of age in a factory, workshop, manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment, barber shop, or in construction or repair of buildings, a bootblack stand or establishment, or by an express or transportation company. There are some prohibited employments for minors under 18.

These permits and certificates may be obtained at the School Office.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Earl C. Suitor
Superintendent of Schools,
Washington, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Suitor:

I submit the following health report for the Washington School.
Defects noted:

- 7 teeth need attention
- 1 Rt. inguinal hernia (has been repaired)
- 1 Systolic heart murmur

The general health of the pupils is good and the parents response to the necessity of having defects corrected is excellent. All weights and heights have been taken and recorded.

The Massachusetts vision test and the hearing test with the audiometer was given to all pupils.

Free Salk Vaccine clinics were held under the school health program at the school, March 2, May 24 and August 23, and the vaccine was administered by Dr. George Breit. The purpose of the clinic was to immunize with Salk vaccine, all those who so desired the vaccine in the 3 months to 15 years group. The response to the clinic was excellent and there was 120 doses given. We are much indebted to Dr. Breit, the nurses, teachers and parents who gave so generously of their services to make the clinic a success. To date, no booster doses have been given at the clinic.

In conclusion, I wish to thank Mrs. Wilkie, Mrs. Kimball, the nurses and children for their fine cooperation in the school health program.

Respectfully submitted,

IRIS J. MORGAN, R.N.

TOWN OF WASHINGTON Balance Sheet—December 19, 1956

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash		Temporary Loans:	
	\$51,371.30	In Anticipation of Reimbursement	\$36,575.00
Accounts Receivable:		Employees' Payroll Deductions:	
Taxes:		Federal Taxes	\$ 573.70
Levy of 1952:		County Retirement System	25.49
Real Estate			
Levy of 1953:		Surplus War Bonus Fund	599.19
Personal Property	\$ 2.24		138.41
Real Estate	178.52	Federal Grants:	
		Disability Assistance:	\$ 54.24
Levy of 1954:		Aid to Dependent Children:	
Poll	\$ 4.00	Aid	668.21
Personal Property	229.25	Administration	11.76
Real Estate	454.09		
Levy of 1955:		Old Age Assistance:	
Poll	\$ 8.00	Assistance	3,127.02
Personal Property	217.53	Administration	19.09
Real Estate	728.81		
Levy of 1956:		School Lunch Program	3,880.32
Poll	\$ 18.00		214.78
Personal Property	562.30	Appropriation Balances:	
Real Estate	2,620.16	Revenue:	
		General	\$ 8,531.65
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		Highway Truck and Equipment	1,800.00
Levy of 1954	\$ 110.04		
Levy of 1955	253.50	Loans Authorized and Unissued	10,331.65
Levy of 1956	3,033.74	Overestimate 1956:	4,000.00
		County Tax	11.07

Departmental:

Aid to Dependent Children \$ 355.55
 Old Age Assistance 586.89
 Veterans' Services 87.64

Aid to Highways:

State \$20,375.00
 County 6,500.00

Revenue 1957—To be Provided For

Loans Authorized:
 Highway Truck and Equipment 4,000.00
 Underestimates 1956:
 State Recreation Areas \$ 25.62
 County Mosquito Control .03

Overdrawn Account:

Highways—Chapter 90
 Maintenance—Special

1,030.08
 26,875.00
 750.00
 4,000.00
 25.65
 1,000.00
 \$93,571.84

Sale of Real Estate Fund 1,000.00
 Road Machinery Fund 3,680.76
 Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus 1,858.68
 Overlays Reserved for Abatements:

Levy of 1952 \$ 99.63
 Levy of 1953 180.76
 Levy of 1954 351.19
 Levy of 1955 484.81
 Levy of 1956 421.38

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer
 Excise \$ 3,397.28
 Departmental 1,030.08
 Aid to Highways 2,000.00

Surplus Revenue:

Current Year \$ 4,404.98
 Prior Years 18,911.87

6,427.36
 23,316.85
 \$93,571.84

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:

Inside Debt Limit:

General

Outside Debt Limit:

General

Serial Loans:

Inside Debt Limit:

Departmental Equipment

Outside Debt Limit:

School Construction

\$ 3,000.00
 66,000.00
 \$69,000.00

\$ 3,000.00
 66,000.00
 \$69,000.00





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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
WASHINGTON
AND
SCHOOL COMMITTEE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31
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TOWN WARRANT**February 8, 1958**

Polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and may close at 6 P. M. Business meeting will open at 8 P. M.

Art. 1—To bring in and cast their vote by ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Tree Warden, one Tax Collector, one Auditor, all for one year; one School Committeeman and one selectman for three years; 2 Assessors for 3 years; 1 School Committeeman for 1 year.

Art. 2—To see if the Selectmen shall be an agent for the Town in defense of any suits for and in behalf of the Town and to adjust all claims for damage against the Town and to choose an agent or pass any vote thereon.

Art. 3—To hear and act on the reports of the School Committee and the Superintendent and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,595.00 or any other sum for the operation of schools or take any vote in relation thereto.

Art. 4—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue for the financial year, beginning January 1, 1958 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew a note or notes as may be given for a period less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; also temporary loans under provision of 6A Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Art. 5—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Eden Glen Pond.

Art. 6—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for expenses of Tree Warden or take any action relating thereto.

Art. 7—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,052.20 for Pension Fund and Expense as required by the Berkshire County Retirement Board and ordered by the Berkshire County Commissioners.

Art. 8—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107.17 or any other sum for the control of the Dutch Elm Disease as required by Chapter 132 General Laws amended, Section 14 (Chapter 657 acts of 1956).

Art. 9—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Gypsy Moth Control as required by the General Laws Chapter 660 (Section II, Acts of 1918).

Art. 10—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,688.69 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account, \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay notes on Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor, and \$26.25 on interest due on its notes in 1958; also \$1,000.00 on Town's four wheel drive truck and sander body and \$97.50 on interest due on its notes in 1958.

Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of their Board to be a member of the Judiciary Committee of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District and raise and appropriate the sum of \$65.00 for his services for the year 1958.

Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$312.72 to pay its portion of the administration and equipment expense of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District.

Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$14.80 from O.A.A. Administration and \$8.48 from A.D.C. Administration to Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administration Account.

Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 15—To see if the Town will vote to fix the annual salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 Chapter 41, of the General Laws, as amended. All salaries to be effective as of January 1, 1958.

Moderator	\$ 10.00	Chairman Selectmen	\$150.00
Town Clerk	100.00	2nd member Selectmen	50.00
Town Treasurer	150.00	3rd member Selectmen	50.00
Tax Collector	150.00	Auditor	25.00
Chairman Assessors	50.00	Tree Warden	25.00
Clerk Assessors	60.00	Chairman School Com.	50.00
Other Members (each)	50.00	Clerk School Committee	60.00
		3rd member School Com.	50.00

Art. 16—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the following purposes and pass any vote relating thereto. (Selectmen's recommendations) Maintenance of Highways, Chapter 81, \$795.00; Chapter 90 Maintenance, \$1,500.00; Snow Removal, \$3,000.00; Bridges, \$400.00; Appointed Officers, \$200.00; Miscellaneous, \$900.00; Town Officers, \$1,200.00; Officers' Bonds, \$60.00; Discount on Notes, \$500.00; Forest Warden, \$100.00; Old Age Assistance, \$5,000.00; Aid to Dependent Children, \$1,000.00; General Relief, \$700.00; Cemeteries, \$200.00; Insurance on Buildings, \$643.25; Civil Defense, \$300.00; Becket Fire Department, \$500.00; Becket Firemen, \$100.00; Veterans' Aid, \$1,500.00; Board of Health, \$50.00; Workmen's Compensation, \$1,500.00; Disability Aid, \$100.00; Insurance on loader and trucks, (liability and property damage, \$345.77.)

Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be used by its Board of Health when needed towards the care and hospitalization of infants weighing five pounds or less at birth in accordance with Section 3, Chapter 3 of the General Laws as amended, (Chapter 60I, Acts of 1949).

Art. 18—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for extra janitor services in auditorium of the Elementary School Building.

Art. 19—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Sons and Daughters reunion.

Art. 20—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for ambulance and resuscitator service twenty-four hours a day as a donation to the Hinsdale Fire Department for such service.

Art. 21—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 highway construction on Pittsfield Road in this Town and to meet said appropriation the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from the proceeds received from the State under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956.

Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 or any other sum from available surplus funds in its treasury for the purpose of making extraordinary repairs to the Town's Elementary School Building.

Art. 23—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 or any other sum from overlay reserve fund for the purpose of making extraordinary repairs to the Town's Elementary School Building.

Art. 24—To see if the Town will appropriate the sums of \$5,000.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to pay school note due September 1, 1958, and \$1,464.00 to pay 1958 interest on remaining school notes.

Art. 25—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to be applied in determining the 1958 tax rate.

Art. 26—To choose all other Town Officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot: Field Drivers, Pound Keeper, Fence Viewers, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Bark, Sexton and Constables.

TOWN OFFICERS IN 1957

MODERATOR

Harry C. Shaw

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

C. A. R. Simmons

SELECTMEN

Harry C. Shaw, Chairman

Term expires 1958

Emil Schulze

Term expires 1959

C. A. R. Simmons

Term expires 1957

ASSESSORS

C. A. R. Simmons, Clerk

Term expires 1958

Emil Schulze

Term expires 1957

James S. Brown

Term expires 1957

Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Chairman

Term expires 1959

Edward Rushbrook

Term expires 1958

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Edith S. Wagner

Term expires 1959

James S. Brown, Chairman

Term expires 1957

Yvonne Campbell

Term expires 1958

TREE WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

AUDITOR AND TAX COLLECTOR

Marguerite E. Schulze

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

APPOINTEES

FOREST WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Joseph N. Blotz

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Ernest F. Schulze

Joseph N. Blotz

FIELD DRIVERS

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

C. A. R. Simmons

Emil Schulze

POUND KEEPER

C. A. R. Simmons

CONSTABLES

Walter Beckwith

Harold Klein

Amos E. Gallant

C. A. R. Simmons

James S. Brown

Philip Bohrer

Henry E. Rock

Andrew Methe

Roy Simmons

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Philip Bohrer

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER

Philip Bohrer

FENCE VIEWERS

John Campbell, Sr.

Carl H. Peer

Philip Bohrer

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Amos E. Gallant

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Roland Daigle

INSPECTOR OF ELECTRIC WIRING

Edward Rushbrook

DOG TAX OFFICER

Ernest Schulze

CHIEF OF POLICE

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

FIRE CHIEF

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

VETERANS' AGENT

Andrew I. Methe

SELECTMEN'S REPORT **1957 APPROPRIATIONS**

Schools	\$27,864.70
Eden Glen Pond	50.00
Tree Warden Expenses	100.00
Berkshire County Retirement Fund	722.96
Dutch Elm Disease	107.17
Gypsy Moth Control	50.00
Agent, Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	65.00
Expense, Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	170.00
Chapter 81	795.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,000.00
Snow Removal	3,000.00
Bridges	400.00
Appointed Officers	100.00
Miscellaneous	800.00
Town Officers	1,200.00
Officers' Bonds	60.00
Discount on Notes	500.00
Forest Warden	100.00
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	2,500.00
General Relief	500.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Insurance on Buildings	1,000.00
Civil Defense	300.00
Becket Fire Department	500.00
Becket Firemen	100.00
Veterans' Aid	1,500.00
Board of Health	50.00
Workmen's Compensation	632.43
Disability Aid	100.00
Insurance on Loader and Truck (Liability)	200.00
Care of Infants (Board of Health)	100.00
Janitor Service (Extra)	150.00
Sons' and Daughters' Reunion	25.00
School Note	5,000.00
Interest on remaining school note	1,584.00
Use of ambulance and resuscitator (Town of Hinsdale)	100.00

\$54,626.26

- Art. 10—Voted to appropriate the sum of \$4,368.70 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance account, \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay note on Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor and \$43.75 interest on its notes in 1957; also \$1,000.00 on Town's four wheel drive truck with sander body and \$130.00 interest due on its notes in 1957.
- Art. 13—Voted to transfer \$19.09 from Old Age Assistance Administration and \$11.76 from Aid to Dependent Children Administration to Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administration Account.
- Art. 14—Voted to appropriate \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve account.
- Art. 20—Voted to appropriate \$500.00 from available surplus funds in the Treasury to make necessary repairs to the Elementary School Building.
- Art. 22—Voted to appropriate \$2,500.00 from available funds in the Treasury to be applied in determining the 1957 tax rate.

CHAPTER 90

State	\$13,000.00
County	6,000.00
Town (taken from Bond Issue)	2,000.00
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Total available	\$21,000.00
Transferred from reserve to meet shortage	10.08
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	\$21,010.08

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$ 930.40
Amos Gallant, pickup	348.90
Roy Simmons, labor	134.40
Roy Simmons, operator	756.80
Frances Brown, gravel	260.00
Andrew Cormier, truck	228.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	1,275.00
Fred Munn, truck	798.00

Arthur Moon, truck	\$745.75
L. P. Adams, 40 bags cement	60.00
Leona Fassell, gravel	410.00
Hutchinson Gravel, roller	120.00
General Sand & Stone, grits	543.01
General Sand & Stone, sand	25.00
General Sand & Stone, stone	95.20
John's Supply Co., 500 blocks	118.42
Edward Gallant, operator	731.20
Edward Gallant, labor	78.40
Emil Schulze, labor	795.20
John Gardner, labor	92.40
John Gardner, power saw	12.00
Edward Murray, truck	1,137.50
Edward Murray, operator	13.20
Fred Connor, operator	145.20
Fred Connor, truck	28.50
New England Culvert, culvert couplings	1,539.45
New England Culvert, posts	308.00
Town of Washington, loader	1,384.00
Town of Washington, D. truck	745.20
Town of Washington, truck and sander	90.00
Town of Becket, bulldozer	410.00
Town of Becket, grader	800.00
Walter Beckwith, labor	672.00
Claude Goodell, truck	1,344.00
Joseph Gillett, truck	1,317.00
Pittsfield Grain Co., 6 T. chloride	113.61
Walter Beckwith, cement mixer	13.00
Conrad Arndt, back hoe	120.00
Murray Stone, 12 iron posts	15.00
American Tar Co. 8598 MC 3	1,634.65
American Tar Co. 3270 MC 5	621.69

Expended

\$21,010.08

CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE

State Appropriation	\$1,000.00
County Appropriation	1,000.00
Town Appropriation	1,000.00
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Total Available	\$3,000.00

General Sand & Stone, 118.55 grits	\$177.84
General Sand & Stone, 1467 grits	220.05
General Sand & Stone, 279 P. Stone	47.44
General Sand & Stone, 67.85 P. Stone	115.36
Amos Gallant, Superintendent	75.20
Amos Gallant, pickup	28.20
Roy Simmons, operator	88.00
Edward Gallant, operator	81.60
Edward Gallant, labor	22.40
Emil Schulze, labor	47.60
Walter Beckwith, labor	47.60
Town of Washington, truck and sander	179.35
Town of Washington, loader	52.00
Joseph Furlong, Jr., truck	114.00
Ira Markham, truck, hone and operator	124.00
American Tar Co., 8057 MC 3	1,579.17
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Total expended	\$2,999.81
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Unexpended	.19

BOND ISSUE (FROST, SUMMIT HILL AND MOTTOR ROADS)

State Grant:

Summit Hill Road	\$1,500.00
Frost Road	1,000.00
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Total Available	\$2,500.00

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$115.20
Amos Gallant, pickup	43.20
Roy Simmons, operator	121.60
Fred Connor, operator	46.20
Fred Connor, truck	65.00
Edward Gallant, operator	22.40
American Tar Co., 491 gal. tar	684.24
Emil Schulze, labor	92.40
Walter Beckwith, labor	92.40
Richard Galliher, operator	30.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	199.50
Town of Becket, bulldozer	125.00
Town of Washington, truck and loader	255.20
Edward Murray, truck	89.20
Town of Becket, Grader	28.00
Town of Washington, truck and sander	63.00
Claude Goodell, truck	132.00
Joseph Gillett, truck	126.00
General Sand & Stone, 112.9 grits	169.36

Total expended on Frost Road	\$637.96
Total expended on Summit Hill and Mottor Roads	1,861.94

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Unexpended		.10
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CHAPTER 81

State Appropriation	\$14,575.00
Town Appropriation	795.00
Total Available	<hr/> \$15,370.00

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$1,501.60
Amos Gallant, pickup	563.10
Hutchinson Gravel Co., roller	82.50
Norman Radwich, power mower	402.00
Town of Lee, power broom	20.00
Walter Beckwith, labor	744.80
Conrad Arndt, back hoe	28.00
Edward Gallant, operator	337.60
Edward Gallant, labor	394.80
Roy Simmons, operator	750.40
Roy Simmons, labor	431.20
Emil Schulze, labor	1,258.60
Joseph Furlong, truck	327.75
John Gardner, operator	12.00
John Gardner, labor	22.40
Town of Washington, truck	556.60
Town of Washington, truck and sander	94.50
Town of Washington, loader	880.00

CHAPTER 81, MATERIAL

Lane Const. Co., 1.95 Steamix	13.07
Feder' Store	
12 shovels	46.20
2 axes	11.00
2 pr. storm boots	23.50
2 iron rakes	3.70
New England Culvert Co., culverts and couplings	315.59

Frances Brown, gravel	\$135.00
General Sand & Stone grits, 189.8	284.70
General Sand & Stone 2.4 P. Stone	157.08
Lane Construction, 88.2 Steamix	590.97
Leona Fassell, gravel	20.00
American Tar Co., 6972 gal. MC 5	1,366.51
American Tar. Co., 463 MC 3	90.75

CHAPTER 81 SNOW

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	542.40
Amos Gallant, pickup	203.40
Roy Simmons, operator	444.80
Emil Schulze, labor	149.80
Town of Washington, truck and plow	527.00
Town of Washington, loader	276.00
Joseph Furlong, plow	386.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	161.50
Claude Goodell, truck	144.00
Joseph Gillett, truck	129.44
Berkshire Gravel Co., 20.36 sand	203.60
L. P. Adams, 25 T. salt	555.50
Chemical Corp., 7.5 T. salt	180.00
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	\$15,369.36
Unexpended	<hr/>
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EDEN GLEN POND

Appropriated	\$50.00
John Campbell, Jr., labor	23.80
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Unexpended	\$26.20

CEMETERIES

Appropriated	\$200.00
Roy Simmons, labor, mowing and repairing	\$200.00

BERKSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT FUND AND EXPENSE

Appropriated	\$722.96
John Shea, Treasurer	\$722.96

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriation at Annual Town Meeting	\$632.43
Appropriation at Special Town Meeting	229.34
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Total Available	\$861.77
E. H. Pierce & Co., policy 6224296	\$632.43
E. H. Pierce & Co., Auditor's levy in excess of estimate	229.34
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	\$861.77

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF WASHINGTON

Appropriated	\$25.00
Expended	25.00

BRIDGES

Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting	\$400.00
Transferred from Reserve	52.12
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Total available	\$452.12
Kelley Lumber Co., 1,000 ft., 3 in. plank	\$110.00
Kelley Lumber Co., ass't. lumber and bridge material	172.92
Amos Gallant, Superintendent	32.00
Amos Gallant, pickup	12.00
Edward Gallant, operator	12.80
Edward Gallant, labor	11.20
Emil Schulze, labor	28.00
Walter Beckwith, labor	28.00
Town of Washington, truck	27.60
Roy Simmons, labor	11.20
Roy Simmons, operator	6.40
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	\$452.12

OFFICERS' BONDS

Appropriated		\$60.00
Hebb Agency, Town Clerk	\$ 5.00	
Hebb Agency, Town Treasurer	13.50	
Hebb Agency, Dep. Tax Collector	5.00	
Mass. Bond and Insurance, Tax Collector	27.75	
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Total Expended		\$51.25
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Unexpended		\$ 8.75

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE ADMINISTRATION

Appropriated	\$65.00
Harry C. Shaw, services	\$65.00

GENERAL RELIEF

Appropriated at Annual Meeting	\$500.00
Appropriated at Special Meeting	200.00
Transferred from Disability Aid	100.00
Transferred from Reserve	198.58
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Total Available	\$998.58
Case No. 4	\$256.54
Case No. 5	693.50
Case No. 6	48.54
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Total expended	\$998.54

DISCOUNT ON NOTES

Appropriated	\$500.00
Merchant's National Bank, discount two notes	485.62
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Unexpended	\$ 14.38

FOREST WARDEN

Appropriated		\$100.00
Ernest Schulze, permits, storage and patrolling	\$17.58	
Harodikes, Incorp., 300 gal. bag	36.00	
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Total expended		\$53.58
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Unexpended		\$46.42

TREE WARDEN

Appropriated		\$100.00
Ernest Schulze, labor		5.60
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Unexpended		\$94.40

GYPSY MOTH CONTROL

Appropriated		\$50.00
Ernest Schulze, labor		33.60
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Unexpended		\$16.40

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriated		\$300.00
Western Mass. Electric Co., Town Hall lights	\$14.00	
Joseph Furlong, bus service	10.00	
Detroit Supply Co., I C875 light	12.06	
Hobbs & Warren, Docket Book	6.10	
Springfield Enterprise, 4 Walkie Talkies	147.55	
Frissell's Store, supplies for meeting	2.47	
C.A.R. Simmons,		
12 batteries for town radios, 10—67½		
o B Batteries wire and bulbs	25.94	
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Expended		\$218.12
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Unexpended		\$ 81.88

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Appropriated		\$100.00
Joseph N. Blotz, Animal Inspector	\$35.00	
Joseph N. Blotz, Inspector Slaughtering	20.00	
Roland Daigle, Sealer, Weights and Meas.	10.00	
Edward Rushbrook Inspector Wiring	10.00	
Ernest Schulze, Dog Tax Officer	10.00	
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Total Expended		\$85.00
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Unexpended		\$15.00

SNOW REMOVAL (TOWN)

Appropriation		\$3,000.00
Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$316.00	
Amos Gallant, pickup	73.80	
Roy Simmons, operator	285.60	
Town of Washington, loader and trucks	752.55	
Berkshire Gravel, 542.8 T. sand	542.80	
Roland Const. Co., 86 yd. sand	64.50	
General Sand Co., 64.10 T. sand	64.10	
Socony Oil Co., 24.2 gal. gas.	7.18	
Joseph Gillett & Sons, truck	48.00	
Emil Schulze, labor	70.00	
Chemical Corporation, 19.74 T. road salt	369.14	
Claude Goodell, truck	48.00	
Edward Gallant, operator	73.60	
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Total Expended		\$2,715.27
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Unexpended		\$284.73

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriated		\$1,200.00
Florence Simmons, Ballot Clerk	\$ 3.00	
Elizabeth Gallant, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
James S. Brown, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
James S. Brown, Assessor	50.00	
James S. Brown, School Committee, Chairman	50.00	
Harry C. Shaw, Chairman Selectmen	150.00	
Harry C. Shaw, 3 registrations	6.00	
Marguerite Schulze, Tax Collector	150.00	
Marguerite Schulze, Auditor	25.00	
Ernest Schulze, Tree Warden	25.00	
C.A.R. Simmons, Town Clerk	100.00	
C.A.R. Simmons, Town Treasurer	150.00	
C.A.R. Simmons, Assessor, Clerk	60.00	
C.A.R. Simmons, Selectman	50.00	
C.A.R. Simmons, 1 registration	2.00	
Edith Wagner, School Committee, clerk	60.00	
Edward Rushbrook, Assessor	50.00	
Yvonne Campbell, School Committee	50.00	
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Chairman Assessors	50.00	
Emil Schulze, Assessor	50.00	
Emil Schulze, Selectman	50.00	
Harry C. Shaw, Moderator	10.00	
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Total Expended		\$1,147.00
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Unexpended		\$ 53.00

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriated	\$170.00
Transferred from O.A.A. and A.D.C. 1956	
Administration Accounts	30.85
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Total Available	\$200.85
Virginia Palmer, Treasurer	\$200.85

MACHINERY

Appropriated	\$4,368.70
Transferred from Reserve	22.70
Special Meeting's appropriation	3,950.00
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Total available	\$8,341.40

Mulcare Co., hose and inflator	\$ 17.70
Levernoch Bros., gasoline	625.30
L. H. Sherman, plow parts	2.00
Del Virgilio, snow plow	200.00
New England Tel. & Tel., Co. gar. phone	61.55
Amos Gallant, truck plates	6.00
Day Trust Co., Note	1,000.00
Day Trust Co., interest	26.25
Eastern Equipment Co., boring key way	4.65
Merchant's Bank, sander truck note	1,000.00
Merchant's Bank, interest on note	65.00
Joseph Gillett,	
labor and parts	14.60
machine accessories	16.60
repairs to loader	90.62
labor and material D. truck	21.00
6 gal. anti-freeze	19.50
Pittsfield Retread Co., 2 truck tires	93.00

Alfred Dean		
labor on plow	\$ 12.80	
truck plates, anti-freeze and parts	28.90	
Berkshire Screen Co., garage door	226.00	
Carr Hardware Co., pipe and dampers	10.61	
Economy Auto Parts, glass and truck parts	17.25	
Kelly Lumber Co., lumber	103.65	
Pittsfield Welding Co., oxygen and Dem.	43.33	
Federal Tool & S. Co., plow blades and steel	1,188.35	
Merchant's Bank, interest on notes	82.50	
Becket General Store,		
enamel and white	8.27	
padlock and paint	17.60	
hanger and hasps	2.20	
bolts, enamel polish and bulbs	11.67	
paint and tape	15.87	
Western Mass. Electric, gar. light	21.00	
Socony Oil Co., gasoline	7.92	
D. A. Tift, truck and dump body	450.00	
Tire Dist. Inc., 1 Truck casing	40.00	
L. P. Adams, 2 x 8 lumber	10.06	
L. P. Adams, 7 bags cement	3.00	
Leo Nash, 3—3/16 metal plates	44.67	
George Burnham, installing garage door	40.00	
Central Garage, labor and material on loader and trucks	348.57	
Graves Equipment, labor and loader parts	228.85	
Graves Equipment, sprocket, bush and links	13.38	
Brookshire Ford, 4 wheel truck and sander	1,800.00	
parts and lubrication	11.19	
Total Expended		\$8,051.41
Unexpended		\$289.99

VETERANS' AID

Appropriated		\$1,500.00
McKesson & Robbins, medicines	\$718.14	
Flynn Drug Co., medicines	10.00	
Case No. 3	274.72	
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Total expended		\$1,002.86
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Unexpended		\$497.14

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Expended		\$2,500.00
Federal balance 1956	\$ 668.21	
Federal receipts 1957	1,945.95	
Transferred from Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	
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Total Available	\$3,614.16	
Expended	2,304.16	
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Carried over to 1958	\$1,310.00	

Payroll Expenditures

January 1 to January 15	\$124.10
January 15 to January 31	158.95
February 1 to February 15	127.65
February 15 to February 28	152.60
March 1 to March 15	127.65
March 15 to March 31	180.60
April 1 to April 15	127.65
April 15 to April 30	207.70
May 1 to May 15	154.10
May 15 to May 31	263.90
June 1 to June 15	154.10
June 15 to June 30	189.35

July 1 to July 15	\$154.10
July 15 to July 31	201.35
August 1 to August 15	154.10
August 15 to August 31	224.60
September 1 to September 15	314.30
September 15 to September 30	282.41
October 1 to October 15	218.20
October 15 to October 31	291.20
November 1 to November 15	218.20
November 15 to November 30	259.45
December 1 to December 15	218.20
December 15 to December 31	299.70

Total Expended	<hr/>	\$4,804.16
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
Expended	\$3,000.00

Federal balance 1956	\$2,973.99
Federal receipts 1957	1,537.86

Available	\$4,511.85
Expended	3,071.41

Unexpended	\$1,440.44
Transferred to Aid to Dependent Children	\$1,000.00

Carried over to 1958	<hr/> \$ 440.44
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Payroll Expenditures

January 1 to January 15	\$ 66.40
January 15 to January 31	245.86
February 1 to February 15	66.40
February 15 to February 28	476.48
March 1 to March 15	66.40

March 15 to March 31	\$443.26
April 1 to April 15	47.75
April 15 to April 30	773.79
May 1 to May 15	91.05
May 15 to May 31	431.82
June 1 to June 15	69.70
June 15 to June 30	427.82
July 1 to July 15	64.60
July 15 to July 31	269.58
August 1 to August 15	64.60
August 15 to August 31	259.10
January 1 to June 30, out-of-town case	134.55
August 15 to September 1	54.15
September 1 to September 15	128.70
September 15 to September 30	305.05
October 1 to October 15	159.30
October 15 to October 31	256.02
November 1 to November 15	200.90
November 15 to November 30	306.85
December 1 to December 15	226.15
December 15 to December 31	381.12
June 30 to December 31, out-of-town case	54.01

\$6,071.41

OLD AGE ADMINISTRATION

Received	\$19.80
James M. Rosenthal, legal fee	5.00
Unexpended	\$14.80

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Received	\$8.48
Unexpended	\$8.48

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Appropriated	\$107.17
Unexpended	\$107.17

BECKET FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	\$500.00
Town of Becket	\$500.00

BECKET FIREMEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

HINSDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated for ambulance donation	\$100.00
24 hours' service ambulance and resuscitator	\$100.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriated	\$50.00
Unexpended	\$50.00

CARE OF INFANTS (Board of Health)

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

RESERVE

Appropriated from overlay surplus	\$500.00
Transferred to	
Bridge Account	\$ 52.12
Chapter 90 Construction	10.08
General Relief	198.58
Miscellaneous Account	89.49
Machinery Account	22.70
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Total transferred	\$372.97
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Unexpended	\$127.03

INSURANCE ON BUILDINGS

Appropriated		\$1,000.00
E. H. Pierce & Co.		
Building Liability	\$ 10.00	
Town Hall, weights, meas. and balances	10.28	
School and equipment	559.42	
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Total Expended		\$579.70
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Unexpended		\$420.30

EXTRA JANITOR SERVICE

Appropriated		\$150.00
Roy Simmons, labor		111.00
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Unexpended		\$ 39.00

REPAIRS TO SCHOOL BUILDING

Appropriated		\$500.00
Fred T. Hansen, Sr., labor and material	\$441.50	
A. E. Larson, labor and material	57.10	
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		\$498.60
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Unexpended		\$1.40

INSURANCE ON LOADER AND TRUCK (Liability)

Appropriated	\$200.00
Unexpended	\$200.00

SCHOOL NOTE AND INTEREST

Appropriated for note	\$5,000.00
Appropriated for interest	1,584.00
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Total Available	\$6,584.00
Merchant's National Bank, Note and Interest	\$6,584.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Appropriated	\$800.00
Transferred from Reserve	89.49
Total Available	<hr/> \$889.49

Western Mass. Vet. Association, dues	\$ 4.00
Chas. W. Faulkner, legal advice	5.00
Mass. Selectmen's Association, dues	10.00
Stevenson & Co., blast bond	10.00
Eagle Printing & Binding,	
500 printed envelopes	7.75
1956 Town Reports	288.00
Town Ballots	23.75
envelopes	15.88
100 caucus ballots	20.75
Mass. Col. and Treas. Assoc., dues	4.00
Mass. Assessor's Assoc., dues	
State and County	9.60
Hobbs & Warren,	
Tax Collector and Assessor forms	22.68
bill forms and demands	4.10
Tax Collector's cash book and forms	33.75
Tax Collector's forms	6.15
Record book	4.85
License book	6.15
200 Warrants (treasury)	6.55
2 License books	9.90
Marguerite Schulze	
postage and telephone	12.47
expenses at Collectors' meeting	8.00
W. S. Darley Co., 10 speed signs	62.66
C. A. R. Simmons,	
mileage, postage and telephone	44.89
recording births, deaths, marriages	11.50
Joseph Furlong, postage, mileage and tel.	19.64

Andrew Methe, postage and tel.	\$ 6.03
Berkshire County Selectmen's Assoc., dues	6.00
Berkshire County Selectmen's meeting	7.50
Mass. Town Clerks' Assoc., dues	7.50
Pittsfield National Bank, check books	13.28
Herman Dine, certifying notes	4.00
Dorothy Durant, stamped envelopes	38.40
Harry C. Shaw, postage, tel. and mileage	89.76
Barre Gazette, poll and tax forms	11.89
Emil Schulze, expense Assessors' meeting	17.60
Emil Schulze, postage and mileage	20.10
Commissioner Public Safety, 2 books license forms	10.00
Marston Incorp., binder and pad	2.10
W. A. March, Jr., fire pump wrench	3.91
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Total Expended	\$889.49

RECAPITULATION

Aid to Dependent Children	\$ 4,804.16
Old Age Assistance	6,071.41
Civil Defense	218.12
School Note and Interest	6,584.00
Forest Warden	53.58
Officers' Bonds	51.25
Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administrator	65.00
Tree Warden	5.60
Gypsy Moth Control	33.60
Miscellaneous	889.49
Snow Removal (Town)	2,715.27
Chapter 81	15,369.36
Machinery	8,051.41
Veterans' Aid	1,002.86
Town Officers	1,147.00
Chapter 90 Construction	21,010.08
Bridges	452.12
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	200.85

General Relief	\$ 998.58
Janitor	111.00
Appointed Officers	85.00
Insurance on Buildings	579.70
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,999.81
Frost, Summit Hill and Mottor Roads (Bond Issue)	2,499.90
Sons' and Daughters' Reunion	25.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Workmen's Compensation	861.77
Eden Glen Pond	23.80
Berkshire County Retirement Fund and Expense	722.96
Discount on Notes	485.62
Repairs to Elementary School Building	498.60
Hinsdale Fire Department (Ambulance Service)	100.00
Becket Fire Department	500.00
James M. Rosenthal, Attorney	5.00
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	\$79,421.90

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SHAW, Chairman
C. A. R. SIMMONS
EMIL SCHULZE
Board of Selectmen.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1957		\$28,866.10
1953 Real Estate	\$	85.76
Interest		11.59
1954 Poll Tax		4.00
Interest		.50
1954 Personal		93.62
Interest		9.80
1954 Real Estate		152.47
Interest		15.51
1954 Excise		78.06
Interest		12.62
1955 Poll		4.00
Interest		.33
1955 Personal		22.00
Interest		1.67
1955 Real Estate		268.28
Interest		16.54
1955 Excise		237.48
Interest		18.84
1956 Poll		10.00
Interest		.37
1956 Personal		201.49
Interest		17.32
1956 Real Estate		1,741.91
Interest		45.76
1956 Excise		1,577.13
Interest		33.81
1957 Poll		100.00
Interest		.38
1957 Personal		2,085.11
Interest		.60
1957 Real Estate		12,362.40
Interest		3.66
1957 Excise		1,320.49
Interest		4.34
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		\$20,537.84

Selectmen's Licenses	\$ 652.00
Loader and Truck Earnings	
Town of Washington	5,883.00
Town of Becket	457.60
Town of Hinsdale	113.50
Town of Sandisfield	196.00
Phil Raymond	45.00
A. Desrosier	8.00
A. Deane	3.00
R. Simmons	12.00
J. Furlong	24.00
Erwin Levernoch	46.50
Withholding Tax Deductions	2,333.90
Berkshire County Deductions	651.51
Sporting Licenses	150.50
County of Berkshire, dog licenses	117.90
Dog Licenses	109.00
School Lunch Program	798.90
School Lunch Program, State	388.94
Old Age Assistance, State	2,756.46
Old Age Assistance, Federal	1,537.86
Old Age Assistance, Other Towns	586.89
Old Age Assistance Administration	19.80
Aid Dependent Children, State	1,185.48
Aid Dependent Children, Federal	1,945.95
Aid Dependent Children, Administration	8.48
Old Age Assistance Meal Tax	195.91
Comm'r. Vets Service	476.27
Chapter 81, 1956 Contract	4,875.00
Chapter 81, 1957 Contract	13,100.00
Chapter 90 Construct. (1956) Contract State	14,000.00
Chapter 90 Construct. (1956) County	6,000.00
Chapter 90 Maint. 1956 Contract	1,000.00
Chapter 90 Maint. (1956) State	500.00
Chapter 90 Maint. (1956) County	500.00
Chapter 90 Maint. (1957) Contract State	999.94
Chapter 90 Maint. (1957) Contract County	999.94

Bond Issue	\$4,500.00	
Use of Town Hall, Bud Simmons	3.00	
State reimbursement on new school	2,504.27	
Loss of taxes	9,946.82	
Child Guardianship	222.93	
Education and Transportation	7,456.80	
Vocational Education	19.25	
Temporary Aid and Transportation	427.10	
School Superintendent	744.11	
Chapter 70, School	5,679.61	
Income Tax, School	25.00	
Income Tax	339.63	
Corporation Tax	1,010.40	
City of Pittsfield	3,235.00	
Division of Livestock Disease Control	17.50	
Reimbursement of forest fire fighting equip.	18.00	
Sale of snow plow	100.00	
Snow plow blades	20.00	
District court	15.00	
Pistol permits	8.00	
Sealer of weights and measures	2.00	
Merchants National Bank, Chapter 81 Loan	14,575.00	
Merchants National Bank, Chapter 90 loan	21,000.00	
Berkshire County Savings Bank, interest	41.06	
	<hr/>	\$134,589.71
Total Receipts for year 1957		<hr/> \$183,993.65

EXPENDITURES

Selectmen's Orders	\$79,421.90
School	27,425.55
Collector of Internal Revenue	2,333.90
Berkshire County Retirement	651.51
Division of Fisheries and Game	150.50
Dog License	107.25
State Audit	279.10

State Parks	\$ 83.97	
Berkshire County Mosquito Control	77.58	
Tax Refunds	68.12	
County Tax	1,149.53	
Merchants National Bank, Chapter 81 Loan	14,575.00	
Merchants National Bank, Chapter 90 Loan	21,000.00	
Merchants National Bank, Truck Loan	4,000.00	
School Lunch	1,132.34	
	<hr/>	\$152,456.25

PITTSFIELD NATIONAL BANK

Balance as per statement, Dec. 31, 1957		\$58,522.00
Balance as per check book, Dec. 31, 1957	\$28,434.06	
Outstanding checks, as per list	30,087.94	
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Pittsfield National Bank checking Account	\$28,434.06	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1957	1,703.23	
Berkshire County Savings Bank	1,400.11	
	<hr/>	\$31,537.40

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,
Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Dog Licenses

Males, 33 at \$2.00	\$ 66.00	
Females, 4 at \$5.00	20.00	
Spayed females, 12 at \$2.00	24.00	
Kennel, 1 at \$10.00	10.00	
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	\$120.00	
Fees retained	11.00	
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Paid Treasurer		\$109.00

Sporting Licenses

Resident Citizen's			
Fishing	15 at \$3.25	\$48.75	
Hunting	11 at 3.25	35.75	
Sporting	5 at 5.25	26.25	
Minor fishing	2 at 1.25	2.50	
Female fishing	5 at 2.25	11.25	
Non-Resident			
Hunting	2 at 15.25	30.50	
Duplicate 1		.50	
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		\$155.50	
Fees retained		10.00	
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Paid Treasurer			\$145.50

Births

1957

March 30	Jerry Karl Engwer, son of Gerald Kenneth Engwer and Doris Mae Watkins Engwer		
May 31	Veronica Jane Methe, daughter of Andrew I. Methe and Mary Jane Rock Methe.		
July 2	Melody Kathleen O'Brien, daughter of Norman T. O'Brien and Bernice Margaret Newton.		
Aug. 29	Christine Ann Cameron, daughter of Theodore E. Cameron and Winifred Mae Sayers Cameron.		

Marriages

1957

- July 9 Lawrence Burnham of Washington and Roxana Rock of Chester.
 Nov. 30 Christine Ann Gallant of Washington and Paul Joseph Brunet of Vergennes, Vermont.

Deaths

1957

- Jan. 4 Cassie Jones Schoch, age 84
 Jan. 5 Nannie Read, age 55
 Feb. 11 John Tuohey, age 81
 Feb. 26 Georgianna Middlebrook, age 83
 March 7 Robert J. Mason, age 83
 March 11 Emma (Torday) Markmuller, age 76
 June 6 John Edward Boyle, age 85
 June 19 Edward Fitzpatrick, age 77
 Aug. 12 Margaret T. Reidy, age 88
 Aug. 15 Joseph Roscoe, age 63
 Sept. 3 Nellie Jo Madigan, age 38
 Nov. 21 Yvonne Lampron Campbell, age 46
 Dec. 10 Arthur E. Stanley, age 80

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,

Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

1957 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriation to be raised by taxation		\$55,376.26	
Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds:			
In 1957	\$10,349.55		
In 1956	3,050.00		
		<u>13,399.55</u>	
			\$68,775.81
State: Tax and Assessments:	1957	1956	
State Parks and Reservations	\$ 80.11	\$ 25.62	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	279.10		
Mosquito Control	77.62	.03	
	<u>\$436.83</u>	\$25.65	462.48
County: Tax and Assessments			
County Tax	<u>\$1,047.23</u>		1,047.23
Overlay of current year			<u>704.02</u>
Gross amount to be raised			\$70,989.54
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:			
Income Tax		\$ 6,033.46	
Corporation Taxes		749.81	
Reimbursement on publicly owned Land		9,481.71	
Old Age Tax (Meals)		174.94	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		2,500.00	
Licenses		585.00	
Protection of Persons and Property		15.00	
Charities (other than federal grants)		1,000.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)		3,500.00	
Veterans' Services		500.00	
Schools		8,400.00	
Interest on Taxes and Assessments		100.00	
State Assistance for School construction		1,050.00	
Chapter 375 Act of 1954, City of Pittsfield		<u>3,235.00</u>	
Total Estimated Receipts			\$37,324.92

Overestimates:

County tax	\$11.07
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Amounts taken from available funds

Appropriations voted

12- 1-56	\$1,000.00	
12-15-56	2,050.00	
2-9-57	5,399.55	
3-23-57	4,950.00	
2- 9-57	2,500.00	
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Total available funds	\$15,910.62
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Total estimated receipts and available funds	\$53,235.54
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Net amount to be raised by taxation on polls and property	\$17,754.00
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Number of Polls, 66	Tax	\$ 132.00
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Property:

Personal	Value	\$41,126.00	Tax	2,344.18
Real Estate	Value	268,032.00	Tax	15,277.82

Total	\$309,158.00
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Total taxes levied on polls and property	\$17,754.00
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1957 TABLE OF AGGREGATES

<i>Number of Persons Assessed</i>	<i>Individuals</i>	<i>All Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
On Personal Estate only	3	4	7
On Real Estate only	89	10	99
On Both Personal and Real Estate	39	3	42
Total number of persons assessed			131
Total number of polls assessed			66

Value of assessed personal estate

Stock in trade	\$ 2,500.00
Machinery	32,520.00
Live Stock	1,571.00
All other tangible personal property	4,535.00
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Total value of assessed personal estate	\$41,126.00
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Value of assessed real estate		
Land exclusive of buildings	\$ 67,417.00	
Buildings exclusive of land	200,615.00	
	<hr/>	268,032.00
Total valuation of assessed estate		\$309,158.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000.00—\$57.00		
Taxes, including overlay		
On personal estate	\$ 2,344.18	
On real estate	15,277.82	
On polls	132.00	
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Total taxes assessed		\$17,754.00
Number of live stock assessed		
Horses		2
Neat Cattle		16
Steers—1 Heifers—10		11
Sheep		12
Fowl		25
All other		10
Number of acres of land assessed		8,783.51
Number of dwelling houses assessed		105

FRED T. HANSEN, JR.
 JAMES S. BROWN
 EDWARD L. RUSHBROOK
 EMIL SCHULZE
 CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS

Assessors of Washington.

1957 TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1952 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Uncollected Real Estate Taxes \$42.90

1953 PERSONAL AND REAL ESTATE TAXES

Outstanding according to		Collected and Pd. Treas	\$85.76
1956 Town Report	\$157.16	Uncollected Real Estate	69.16
		Uncollected Personal	2.24

\$157.16

\$157.16

1953 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$11.59

1954 PERSONAL AND REAL ESTATE ALSO POLL TAXES

Pd. Treas. in 1954		Real Estate Warrant	\$17,624.46
real estate taxes	\$13,203.63	Additional Warrant	30.73
Abated real estate taxes	62.09	Personal Tax Warrant	2,891.98
Pd. Treas. in 1955		Poll Tax Warrant	150.00
real estate taxes	3,084.92		
Abated in 1955	84.00		
Pd. Treas in 1956			
real estate taxes	883.91		
Pd. Treas in 1957			
real estate taxes	152.47		
Uncollected			
real estate taxes	184.17		
Pd. Treas in 1954			
personal taxes	2,309.86		
Pd. Treas. in 1955			
personal taxes	338.87		
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
personal taxes	35.88		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
personal taxes	93.62		
Uncollected			
personal taxes	113.75		
Pd. Treas. in 1954			
poll taxes	102.00		
Abated in 1954	20.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1955	24.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1957	4.00		

\$20,697.17

\$20,697.17

1954 EXCISE TAXES

Outstanding according to	Collected and paid	
1956 Town Report	\$78.06	Treasurer in 1957 \$78.06
1954 interest collected and paid	Treasurer—\$38.43	

1955 PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Pd. Treas in 1955		Real Estate Warrant	\$14,154.86
real estate taxes	\$11,022.78	Personal Warrant	2,481.55
Abated	48.78	Poll Tax Warrant	166.00
Pd. Treas in 1956			
real estate taxes	2,546.37		
Pd. Treas. in 1957	268.28		
Uncollected	288.65		
Pd. Treas. in 1955			
personal taxes	1,983.24		
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
personal taxes	335.78		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
personal taxes	22.00		
Uncollected	140.53		
Pd. Treas. in 1955-56	136.00		
Abated in 1955	22.00		
Abated in 1957	4.00		
Collected and paid			
Treas. in 1957	4.00		
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	\$16,802.41		\$16,802.41

1955 EXCISE TAXES

Collected and paid		Warrants	\$2,891.20
Treasurer	1,388.90	Additional Warrants	93.86
Collected and refunded	101.85		
Abated	76.91		
Collected and paid			
Treas. in 1956	1,158.78		
Abated	21.14		
Pd. Treas. in 1957	237.48		
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	\$2,985.06		\$2,985.06

1955 interest collected and paid Treasurer in 1957—\$37.38

1956 REAL, PERSONAL AND POLL TAXES

Pd. Treas. in 1956		Real Estate Warrant	\$15,186.23
real estate taxes	\$12,645.86	Personal Tax Warrant	2,502.70
Abatements	210.34	Poll Tax Warrant	136.00
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
real estate taxes	1,741.91		
Uncollected	588.12		
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
personal taxes	2,086.89		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
personal taxes	201.49		
Uncollected	214.32		
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
poll taxes	124.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
poll taxes	10.00		
Abated poll tax	2.00		
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	\$17,824.93		\$17,824.93

1956 EXCISE TAXES

Collected and Pd. Treas.		Warrants	\$4,170.53
in 1956	\$1,488.49	Additional Warrant	942.57
Abated and refunded	57.90		
Abated	84.17		
Pd. Treas. in 1957	1,577.13		
Abated in 1957	356.75		
Uncollected	1,548.66		
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	\$5,113.10		\$5,113.10

1956 interest collected in 1957 and paid Treasurer—\$97.26

1957 REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL AND POLL TAXES

Collected and paid		Real Estate Warrant	\$15,277.82
Treasurer	\$12,362.40	Personal Tax Warrant	2,344.18
Abated	214.03	Poll Tax Warrant	132.00
Uncollected	2,701.39		
Pd. Treas.			
personal taxes	2,085.11		
Uncollected	259.07		
Uncollected animal excise	19.51		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes	100.00		
Abated	2.00		
Uncollected	30.00		
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	\$17,773.51		\$17,773.51

1957 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Pd. Treas	\$1,320.49	Warrants	\$2,996.92
Abatements	27.84		
Uncollected	1,648.59		
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	\$2,996.92		\$2,996.92

Interest collected in 1957—\$8.98

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE E. SCHULZE

Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Agent's report to the Board of Public Welfare:

The Eastern Berkshire Welfare District established in July 1951 has continued to be very active. Reports have been given from time to time as requested and to the Welfare District committee monthly. An annual report has been submitted to the Welfare District Committee on Administrative detail.

The case load has increased by three during the past year and the close of December shows five cases receiving Old Age Assistance; four cases receiving Aid To Dependent Children and one case receiving General Assistance.

There have been several changes by the State Department of Public Welfare during the past year which have affected the assistance budgets.

A cost of living increase which became effective September 1, 1957 gave an increase of 5.7% on all budgets with the exception of nursing home recipients and those who are living alone and who already receive the maximum grant.

An increased fuel allowance because of the exorbitant increase in fuel prices has resulted in an increase on a seasonal basis for September through May for the winter figure, and June through August for the summer figure.

Effective July 1, 1957 the State Department of Public Welfare revised its Rules and Regulations on funeral expenses as follows:

Funeral expenses are preferred charges against the estate of a deceased recipient and existing resources, e/g.—life insurance, Old Age and Survivor's death benefit, etc.—must first be applied to meeting such expenses.

The Board of Public Welfare shall not exceed \$200 for payment of funeral and burial expenses and the total expense by whomsoever incurred cannot exceed \$350. When a resource exists, the Board of Public Welfare shall be responsible only for the difference between the amount of the resource and \$200.

A change in the Medical Plan effective July 1, 1957 has resulted in an increase of \$3.00 per case—Federal reimbursement on all categories with the exception of General Assistance.

Hospital costs have increased effective 1/1/58. Cost of care in the nursing homes has increased with nursing home proprietors now asking \$7.00 per day for care. The figure for only \$5.75 per day for care is at present approved by the Public Welfare Commissioner.

Due to the increase in the number of Aid To Dependent Children cases plus the budget increases made mandatory by the State Department, it became necessary to transfer \$1,000.00 from the Old Age Assistance Federal Grant Account to the Aid To Dependent Children Federal Grant account on November 15, in order to meet the payrolls for the remainder of the year. The Town now faces the New Year with balances in both Federal Old Age Assistance and Aid To Dependent Children Grant accounts which will take care of the payrolls for the first month.

In closing my report, I wish to extend my appreciation to the Washington town officials who continue to extend their very excellent cooperation in matters which pertain to Welfare.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE H. EAMES,
Agent.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$3,000.00	
Expended from Appropriation		\$3,000.00
Federal Grant balance 1/1/57	\$2,973.99	
Federal Grants received	1,537.86	
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Total		\$4,511.85
Expenditures from Federal Grant		\$4,071.41
Federal Grant balance 1/1/58	\$ 440.44	
Received from Commonwealth	2,843.13	
Received from other towns	586.89	
Recovery on lien (Town's share)	91.83	
Net Cost to Town	1,907.65	

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	\$2,500.00	
Expenditures from Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Federal Grant balance 1/1/57	\$ 668.21	
Federal Grants received	2,945.95	
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Total		\$3,614.16
Expenditures from Federal Grant		2,304.16
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Federal Grant balance 1/1/58		\$1,310.00
Received from Commonwealth	\$1,185.48	
Net Cost to Town (Expenditures less receipts)	672.73	

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$100.00	
Expenditures		none
Balance to be returned to Town General		
Funds	\$100.00	
Federal Grant balance 1/1/57		\$54.24
Balance on hand 1/1/58		\$54.24

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$500.00	
Special Appropriation	200.00	
Transferred from Reserve Account	198.58	
Transferred from Disability Assistance Appropriation Account	100.20	
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Total	\$998.58	
Expenditures		\$998.58

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/57		\$19.09
Transferred to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District		19.09
Federal Grants received	\$19.80	
Expenditure for legal service	5.00	
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Balance 1/1/58	\$14.80	

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/57		\$11.76
Transferred to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District		11.76
Federal Grants received	\$8.48	
Balance 1/1/58	8.48	

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriation	\$170.00
Paid to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	\$170.00

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES—1957

	District	Hinsdale	Becket	Peru	Washington
On hand 1/1/57	\$2,139.08	\$1,116.85	\$ 612.85	\$ 220.11	\$189.2
Reimbursement	8,333.17	4,573.16	2,594.75	693.72	471.8
Paid in by Towns	3,750.65	2,130.55	1,236.74	182.51	200.8
Total	\$14,222.90	\$7,820.56	\$4,444.34	\$1,096.34	\$861.6
Warrants	\$12,401.56	6,799.16	3,864.41	1,026.69	711.3
Balance	1,821.34	1,021.40	579.93	69.65	150.3
Net Op. Expense 1957	4,068.39	2,226.00	1,269.66	332.97	239.7
Percent of Case Load:					
1/1/57 to 6/30/57		54.5	31.3	8.0	6.2
7/1/57 to 12/31/57		55.2	31.0	8.6	5.2
1/1/58 to 6/30/58		52.9	30.3	8.4	8.4

BUDGET FOR 1958

Salaries	\$10,255.00
Agent's Travel Expense	400.00
Rent and Maintenance	650.00
Postage	300.00
Telephone	250.00
Electricity	50.00
Retirement Fund	619.00
Bond for Treasurer	15.00
Heat	200.00
Office Supplies	200.00
Office Equipment	400.00
Repair of Office Equipment	65.00
Insurance	
Miscellaneous	96.00
	\$13,500.00
1958 Budget	\$13,500.00
State Reimbursement	\$4,500.00
Federal Reimbursement	5,000.00
Total	\$9,500.00
Net Cost to Towns	4,000.00
	\$13,500.00
Hinsdale	\$2,116.00
Becket	1,212.00
Peru	336.00
Washington	336.00
Total	\$4,000.00

1957 FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation		\$27,864.70
Stella D. Wilkie, teacher	\$3,097.00	
Mrs. A. Ray Kimball, teacher	2,964.00	
Mrs. John Gardner, substitute	156.00	
Mrs. Harry Madigan, Jr., art teacher	180.00	
Mass. Audubon Society, nature teacher	331.25	
R. K. Tiffany, School Psychologist	50.00	
R. McNamara, School Psychologist	43.00	
Earl C. Sutor, Superintendent	1,424.89	
Superintendent's expenses	182.92	
Mass. Retirement Board	394.03	
Textbooks	84.02	
Stationery and supplies	187.30	
Janitor	750.00	
Fuel	1,639.05	
Lights and Telephone	400.18	
Repairs	199.38	
Health	100.00	
Local Transportation	2,468.00	
High School Transportation	5,195.00	
High School Tuition	6,861.66	
Vocational School Tuition	44.00	
Miscellaneous	246.71	
New Equipment	400.00	
All others	27.16	
Total Expenditures		\$27,425.55
Unexpended balance		439.15

EDITH S. WAGNER

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Washington:

Herewith is submitted my thirteenth annual report as Superintendent of your school.

The standard achievement tests which were given last April show that the Washington pupils compare very favorably with others throughout the country. Of course there is a wide range in each grade but the middle score for each grade was as follows: (The grade with a decimal .8 would be the standard).

Grade 2—2.9	Grade 5—5.8
Grade 3—5.2	Grade 6—8.1
Grade 4—6.4	Grade 7—9.5
	Grade 8—9.3*

*9.3 means that this pupil does work as well as a pupil in the 9th grade in November could do it—not that he was doing 9th grade work.

The teachers are doing a fine job as is evidenced by the above. We also have the services, on a very limited degree, of a school psychologist. His work is simply of testing and diagnosis—not treatment of any kind. He will work with individuals who might be benefited by further understanding. This could be every pupil but we have him for a very limited time.

Budget:

In comparing the budget of 1958 with that of 1957 we note first that the total is \$269.70 less for 1958. The greatest difference is in high school tuition which is down \$1,389.70. This is because of fewer pupils for the rate has increased. Teachers' salaries is up \$800.00. This is chiefly the result of the new state minimum for teachers' salaries which was increased \$300 over what it was last year. There is a possibility that it may increase again in 1958. The transportation item is up slightly because of an anticipated extra trip when Dalton goes on double sessions next September. The repair item includes \$100 for a complete service of all heating controls. This was considered a good investment. The item planned for new equipment is a liquid duplicator.

The rest of the budget is self explanatory. It is a conservative budget especially in regard to teachers' salaries, but adequate to cover the anticipated costs for 1958.

In Memoriam

The loss of two valuable persons saddened the beginning of this school year.

Mrs. Nellie Jo Madigan—We all marvelled at her many contributions. Formerly, as primary teacher, she was never without an interesting project. Then, as art supervisor she continued to come up with new and interesting ideas. A staunch supporter of the school, an active volunteer worker and planner for the school lunch program, secretary and president of the P.T.A. Nellie Jo did much for the children of Washington. Such an active life leaves a vast void but a worthy memory.

Mrs. Yvonne Campbell—served on the school committee for two years. Her quiet, thoughtful contribution was cut short only too soon. Her help with the school lunch program and with the projects of the P.T.A. were additional evidences of her willingness to serve even with her own very busy life.

Conclusion:

This report would not be complete without a special word of commendation for the School Lunch workers. This fine program continues with the aid of those faithful people. I should like to express my appreciation and thanks to each of them, as well as all who have contributed to the welfare of the Washington pupils and especially to the School Committee who have contributed in personal service and time but more importantly, in their determination of policy motivated solely by the best interest of the pupils.

Sincerely,

EARL C. SUITOR,
Superintendent of Schools.

Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1957

Expenditures	\$27,425.55
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Receipts:

Reimbursement from the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts

Chapter 70—State Aid	\$5,679.61
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Superintendent's Salary and
Expenses

744.11

All School Transportation

7,456.80

State Ward Tuition

222.93

Vocational School Tuition

19.25

Total Receipts

\$14,122.70

Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the
Support of Schools for 1957

\$13,302.85

Budget for 1958

	1957	1958
Teachers' Salaries	\$6,770.00	\$7,500.00
Textbooks	150.00	125.00
Supplies for Instruction	175.00	200.00
Janitor	750.00	870.00
Fuel	1,500.00	1,500.00
Lights, telephone and power	375.00	400.00
Repairs	100.00	300.00
Health	105.00	125.00
Transportation	8,000.00	8,100.00
High School Tuition	7,764.70	6,375.00
Operating Expenses	150.00	200.00
Superintendents' Salary and Expenses	1,600.00	1,700.00
New Equipment	400.00	175.00
All others	25.00	25.00
	\$27,864.70	\$27,595.00

Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1958

Budget for 1958	\$27,595.00
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Estimated Receipts:

Chapter 70 as amended—School Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendents' Salary and Expenses	744.11
All School Transportation	7,835.00
State Ward Tuition	222.93
Vocation School Tuition	150.00

Total Estimated Receipts	\$14,631.65
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the Support of Schools for 1958	\$12,963.35
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Enrollment October 1, 1957

Dalton High School	11
St. Joseph's High	1
South Junior High	2
Pittsfield High	5
Vocational High	1

Total High School Enrollment	20
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Elementary School Enrollment:

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Mrs. Wilkie						5	6	4
Mrs. Kimball	3	2	5	5				

Total Elementary Enrollment	33
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Total School Enrollment	53
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Graduates—1957

Washington Elementary School

Cynthia Williams

David Engwer

Francis Lane

School Calendar 1957-58

		<i>Days</i>
September	School begins September 4	19
October	No School October 25, Teachers' Convention	22
November	No School November 11, Veterans' Day	
	No School November 28-29, Thanksgiving	18
December	No School December 23-31, Christmas	15
January	No School January 1-6, New Year's	20
February	No School February 24-28, Vacation	15
March		21
April	No School April 4; April 21-27	16
May	No School May 30, Memorial Day	21
June	School closes for summer June 6	5
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School Entrance Age:

Pupils must be six years of age as of September 1. One week grace period will be allowed.

Working Certificates:

Any employment, either part time or full time, of minors 14 to 16 years of age, requires authorization by permit.

An educational certificate is required in connection with either the full time or part time employment of minors between 16 and 18 years of age in a factory, workshop, manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, barber shop, or in construction or repair of buildings, a bootblack stand, or establishment, or by an express or transportation company. There are some prohibited employments for minors under 18.

These permits and certificates may be obtained at the School Office.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Earl C. Suitor
Superintendent of Schools
Washington, Mass.

Dear Mr. Suitor:

I submit the following health report for the Washington school.

The Free Salk Vaccine clinic was held at the school on June 5, and 63 booster doses were administered by Dr. George Breit, assisted by Mrs. Beckwith, R.N. and me.

All students were inspected for the care of skin, hair and ears. All students were weighed and measured, and the results recorded. In October pupils were examined by the doctor; defects were noted and parents notified. Hearing tests were done on all pupils in November; the results were noted and recorded and parents notified.

Conferences have been held with Miss Vera Griffin, R.N. state supervisor, Miss Ruth Bartlett, state physiotherapist, Mrs. Kimball and Mrs. Wilkie.

A program featuring a film "Good Health Habits for Teen-Age Girls" was shown by Mrs. Wilkie and was well attended by the girls from 4th through 8th grades and also some of the mothers of the girls.

In conclusion I wish to thank all who contributed to the success of the health program.

Respectfully submitted,

IRIS J. MORGAN, R.N.

REPORT OF AN AUDIT

Mr. Herman B. Dine
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Washington for the period from December 20, 1956, the date of the previous examination, to December 22, 1957, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments collecting or disbursing money for the town or sending out bills for collection, were examined, checked, and verified.

The surety bonds of the several town officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and checked with the records of the departments making payments to the treasurer and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the expenditures were compared with the selectmen's warrants and with the classified record of payments. The cash balance on December 22, 1957 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit, by inspection of the savings bank book, and by actual count of the cash on hand.

The records of payroll deductions on account of Federal taxes and the county retirement system were examined and checked. The deductions were listed, the payments to the proper agencies were verified, and the balances in the general treasury on December 22, 1957 were proved.

The records pertaining to temporary loans, as well as maturing debt, were examined and checked. The loans issued were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts, while the payments on account of maturing debt and interest were proved by comparison with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The tax and excise accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitment lists, were audited and proved with the warrants issued by the assessors for their collection. The recorded collections were compared with the payments to the treasurer, the recorded abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the outstanding accounts were listed and proved, and the cash on hand on December 22, 1957 was proved by actual count.

Further verification of the outstanding accounts was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to

the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

It is recommended that the tax collector make a determined effort to effect a complete settlement of the delinquent tax accounts which date back to 1952.

The financial transactions of the town clerk were examined. The receipts for dog and sporting licenses were checked with the record of licenses issued. The payments to the treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified, and the cash on hand December 22, 1957 was proved by actual count.

The appropriations were listed from the town clerk's record of town meetings, and the amounts voted were compared with the aggregate appropriations raised by the assessors in the computation of the tax rate for 1957.

The transfers from the reserve fund were listed from selectmen's records of transfers voted and were checked with the appropriation accounts.

The records of receipts of the selectmen, as well as of the police, public welfare, veterans' services, and school departments, and of all other departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked with the treasurer's cash receipts. The outstanding accounts were listed and proved, and the cash on hand in the several departments was proved by actual count.

Ledger accounts were compiled, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on December 22, 1957.

There are appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, tables showing reconciliations of the treasurer's and the tax collector's cash, and summaries of the tax and departmental accounts.

While engaged in making the audit cooperation was received from all town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ,
Assistant Director of Accounts

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Balance Sheet—December 22, 1957
GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash,	\$59,665.41	Temporary Loans:	
Accounts Receivable:		In anticipation of Reimbursement	\$35,575.00
Taxes:		Employees' Payroll Deductions:	
Levy of 1952:		Federal Taxes	\$ 451.30
Real Estate	42.90	County Retirement System	12.73
Levy of 1953:		Surplus War Bonus	464.03
Personal Property	\$ 2.24		138.41
Real Estate	69.16		
Levy of 1954:		Federal Grants:	
Personal Property	\$113.75	Disability Assistance:	\$ 54.24
Real Estate	184.17	Aid to Dependent Children:	8.48
Levy of 1955:		Administration	1,310.00
Personal Property	\$140.53	Old Age Assistance:	14.80
Real Estate	309.87	Administration	494.45
Levy of 1956:		School Lunch Program	1,881.97
Personal Property	\$214.32	Appropriation Balances—General	239.49
Real Estate	923.10		10,732.22
Levy of 1957:		Overestimate 1957:	
Poll	\$ 38.00	County Mosquito Control	.04
Personal Property	316.75	Sale of Real Estate Fund	1,000.00
Real Estate	2,839.37		
	3,194.12		

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:

Levy of 1956 \$1,861.36
 Levy of 1957 1,884.35

3,745.71

Farm Animal Excise:

Levy of 1957

19.51

Departmental:

Aid to Dependent Children \$613.41
 Veterans' Services 8.03

621.44

Aid to Highways:

State \$14,475.00
 County 6,000.00

20,475.00

Underestimates 1957:

State Recreation Areas \$ 3.86
 County Tax 102.30

106.16

\$89,827.39

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:

Inside Debt Limit:

General

\$ 6,000.00

Outside Debt Limit:

General

61,000.00

\$67,000.00

Road Machinery Fund

5,514.09

Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus

1,617.94

Overlays Reserved for Albatomsents:

Levy of 1952 \$ 42.90
 Levy of 1953 71.40
 Levy of 1954 297.92
 Levy of 1955 450.40
 Levy of 1956 419.38
 Levy of 1957 487.99

1,769.99

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer

Excise \$3,745.71

Farm Animal Excise 19.51

Departmental 621.44

4,386.66

Surplus Revenue:

Current Year \$ 3,199.52

Prior Years 23,308.03

26,507.55

\$89,827.39

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Serial Loans:

Inside Debt Limit:

Departmental Equipment

\$ 6,000.00

Outside Debt Limit:

School Construction

61,000.00

\$67,000.00

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
WASHINGTON
AND
SCHOOL COMMITTEE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31
1958

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For the Year Ending
DECEMBER 31, 1958

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TOWN WARRANT**February 14, 1959**

Polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and may close at 6 P. M. Business meeting will open at 8 P. M.

Art. 1—To bring in and cast their vote by ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Tree Warden, one Tax Collector, one Auditor, all for one year; one Selectman for three years; one School Committee for three years, one School Committee for two years, one School Committee for one year; Two assessors for three years and one assessor for two years.

Art. 2—To see if the Selectmen shall be an agent for the Town in defense of any suits for and in behalf of the Town and to adjust all claims for damage against the Town and to choose an agent or pass any vote thereon.

Art. 3—To hear and act on the reports of the School Committee and Superintendent and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,445.00 or any other sum for the operation of schools or take any action relating thereto.

Art. 4—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue for the financial year, beginning January 1, 1959 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew a note or notes as may be given for a period less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; also temporary loans under provision 6A Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Art. 5—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for expenses of Tree Warden or take any action relating thereto.

Art. 6—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Eden Glen Pond.

Art. 7—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$900.19 for Pension Fund and Expense as required by the Berkshire County Retirement Board and ordered by the Berkshire County Commissioners.

Art. 8—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107.17 or any other sum for the control of the Dutch Elm Disease as required by Chapter 132 of the General Laws as amended, Section 14 (Chapter 657 Acts of 1950).

Art. 9—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Gypsy Moth Control as required by the General Laws Chapter 660 (Section II, Acts of 1918).

Art. 10—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account, \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay the final note on the Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor and \$8.75 on interest due on same: also \$1,000.00 on Town's four wheel drive truck and sander body and \$65.00 on interest due on its notes in 1959.

Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$375.00 to pay its portion of the administration and equipment expense of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District.

Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65.00 to pay its member of the Judiciary Committee of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District for 1959 and authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of its Board to be that member.

Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$17.49 from Old Age Assistance Administration and \$15.02 from Aid to Dependent Children to the Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administration Account.

Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 15—To see if the Town will vote to fix the annual salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 Chapter 41, of the General Laws, as amended, all salaries to be effective as of January 1, 1959.

Moderator	\$ 10.00	Chairman Selectmen	\$150.00
Town Clerk	100.00	2nd member Selectmen	50.00
Town Treasurer	150.00	3rd member Selectmen	50.00
Town Tax Collector	150.00	Auditor	25.00
Chairman Assessors	50.00	Tree Warden	25.00
Clerk Assessors	60.00	Chairman School Com.	50.00
Other members	50.00	Clerk School Com.	60.00
		3rd member School Com.	50.00

Art. 16—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the following purposes and pass any vote relating thereto (Selectmen's recommendations) Maintenance of Highways, Chapter 81, \$795.00; Chapter 90, Pittsfield Road, \$499.45; Chapter 90 Maintenance, \$1,500.00; Snow Removal, \$3,000.00; Bridges \$400.00; Appointed Officers, \$200.00; Miscellaneous, \$1,000.00; Forest Warden, \$100.00; Public Assistance, \$9,100.00; Cemeteries, \$200.00; Insurance on Buildings, \$650.00; Civil Defense, \$350.00; Becket Fire Department, \$500.00; Becket Firemen, \$100.00; Veterans' Aid, \$1,700.00; Insurance on loader and trucks (Liability and property damage, \$277.00); Board of Health, \$50.00; Workmen's Compensation, \$1,200.00; Town Officers, \$1,200.00; Officers' Bonds, \$60.00; Discount on Notes, \$500.00; Tax Titles, \$10.00.

Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be used by its Board of Health when needed towards the hospitalization of infants weighing five pounds or less at birth in accordance with Section 3, Chapter 3 of the General Laws as amended, Chapter 601, Acts of 1949.

Art. 18—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for extra janitor service in Auditorium of the Elementary School Building.

Art. 19—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Sons' and Daughters' Reunion.

Art. 20—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for ambulance and resuscitator service twenty-four hours a day as a donation to the Hinsdale Fire Department for such service.

Art. 21—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.55 to meet that portion of the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 highway construction on Pittsfield Road in this Town and to meet said appropriation the sum of \$1,500.55 be transferred from the proceeds received from the State under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1950.

Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sums of \$5,000.00 to pay school note due September 1, 1959, and \$1,344.00 to pay 1959 interest on remaining school notes.

Art. 23—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to be applied in determining the 1959 tax rate.

Art. 24—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to pay the Town of Becket for use of its Town Dump.

Art. 25—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to make needed repairs to the roofs of the Elementary school building.

Art. 26—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$288.35 on old bills account to pay State for snow removal on Pittsfield Road.

Art. 27—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24.99 to meet over-draft on Veterans' Aid Account.

Art. 28—To choose all other Town Officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot: Field Drivers, Pound Keeper, Fence Viewers, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Bark, Sexton and Constables.

TOWN OFFICERS IN 1958

MODERATOR

Harry C. Shaw

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

C. A. R. Simmons

SELECTMEN

Harry C. Shaw, Chairman	Term expires 1958
Emil Schulze	Term expires 1959
C. A. R. Simmons	Term expires 1960

ASSESSORS

C. A. R. Simmons, Clerk	Term expires 1958
Emil Schulze	Term expires 1960
James S. Brown, Resigned	
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1959
Edward Rushbrook	Term expires 1958

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Edith S. Wagner, Resigned
 James S. Brown, Chairman, Resigned
 Yvonne Campbell, Deceased
 Edward Rushbrook, Resigned

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—Appointed for 1 Year

Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1958
Louise Elliot, Clerk	Term expires 1958
George L. Davenport	Term expires 1958

TREE WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

AUDITOR AND TAX COLLECTOR

Marguerite E. Schulze

APPOINTEES

FOREST WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Joseph N. Blotz

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Ernest F. Schulze

Joseph N. Blotz

FIELD DRIVERS

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

C. A. R. Simmons

Emil Schulze

POUND KEEPER

C. A. R. Simmons

CONSTABLES

Walter Beckwith
C. A. R. Simmons
Henry E. Rock
Theodore Cameron

Harold Klein
James S. Brown
Andrew Methe

Amos E. Gallant
Philip Bohrer
Roy Simmons

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Philip Bohrer

SEXTON

Roy Simmons

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER

Philip Bohrer

FENCE VIEWERS

John Campbell, Sr.

Carl H. Peer

Philip Bohrer

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Amos E. Gallant

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Roland Daigle

INSPECTOR OF ELECTRIC WIRING

Edward Rushbrook

DOG TAX OFFICER

Theodore Cameron

CHIEF OF POLICE

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

FIRE CHIEF

Joseph Furlong, Jr.

VETERANS' AGENT

Andrew I. Methe

SELECTMEN'S REPORT
1958 APPROPRIATIONS
 Town Meeting February 8, 1958

Schools	\$27,595.00
Eden Glen Pond	50.00
Tree Warden Expense	100.00
Berkshire County Expense and Pension Fund	1,052.20
Dutch Elm Disease	107.17
Gypsy Moth	50.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare Agent	65.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare Admin. and Equip.	312.72
Chapter 81	795.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,500.00
Snow Removal	3,000.00
Bridges	400.00
Appointed Officers	200.00
Miscellaneous	900.00
Town Officers	1,200.00
Officers' Bonds	60.00
Discount on Notes	500.00
Forest Warden Expense	100.00
Old Age Assistance	5,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,000.00
General Relief	700.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Insurance on Buildings	643.25
Civil Defense	300.00
Becket Fire Department	500.00
Becket Firemen	100.00
Veterans' Aid	1,500.00
Board of Health	50.00
Workmen's Compensation	1,000.00
Disability Aid	100.00
Liability and property damage on loader and trucks	345.77
Care of Infants (Board of Health)	100.00
Janitor Service	150.00
Sons' and Daughters' Reunion	25.00
Ambulance and Resuscitator Service	100.00

\$49,801.11

Art. 10—Voted to appropriate \$3,688.69 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account, \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay note on Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor, and \$26.25 on interest due on its notes in 1958; also \$1,000.00 on Town's four wheel drive truck and sander body and \$97.50 on interest due on its notes in 1958.

Art. 13—Voted to transfer \$14.80 from Old Age Assistance Administration and \$8.48 from Aid to Dependent Children Administration to Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administration Account.

Art. 14—Voted to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 21—Voted to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 highway construction of Pittsfield road in this town and to meet said appropriation the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from the proceeds received from the State under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956.

Art. 24—Voted to appropriate \$5,000.00 from available surplus funds to pay School note due Sept. 1, 1958 and \$1,464.00 on remaining school notes.

Art. 25—Voted to appropriate \$2,500.00 from available surplus funds to apply in determining the 1958 tax rate.

A true copy attest.

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS

CHAPTER 90

State appropriation	\$13,000.00
County	6,000.00
Town (Bond allotment)	2,000.00
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Total available	\$21,000.00
From Reserve	.02
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	\$21,000.02
Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$1,447.25
Amos Gallant, pickup	496.20
Roy Simmons, operator	1,373.75
Edward Gallant, operator	1,377.25
Town of Washington, D Truck	837.20
Town of Washington, loader	1,128.00
Emil Schulze, labor	1,201.65
John's Building Co., C blocks	107.22
C. Goodell, truck	1,140.00
O. Wyman, gravel	204.00
Town of Washington, sand truck	166.50
Ed Murray, operator	654.10
Joseph Furlong, truck	969.00
Joseph Gillett, truck	990.00
John Gardner, power saw	9.00
Town of Middlefield, grader	84.00
William Cullet, truck	674.50
David Gillett, truck	812.25
Fred Connor, truck	81.30
A. Leo Nash, culverts and coupling	58.54
A. Leo Nash, pipe and couplings	108.34
American Tar Co., 3,966 Mc 3 tar	682.89
American Tar Co., 3,804 T6 and 3,439 T4	1,810.02
C. A. R. Simmons, C. mixer	24.00
New England Culvert Co., culverts and couplings	1,016.49

New England Culvert Co., 75 W posts	\$231.00
Lane Construction, 32.45 Steamix	217.42
Peter Tift, operator	32.00
Town of Becket, grader	728.00
Town of Becket, bulldozer	120.00
C. Arndt, back hoe	232.50
Wirthmore Co., 3 T chloride	115.47
General Sand & Stone, 385.45 $\frac{3}{8}$ stone	584.18
General Sand & Stone, sand	95.70
W. Avery, truck	332.50
May Collalto, gravel	590.00
Leona Fassell, gravel	210.00
L. P. Adams, 2 T cement	57.80
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Total expended	\$21,000.02

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

State Appropriation	\$1,500.00
County Appropriation	1,500.00
Town Appropriation	1,500.00
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Total Available	\$4,500.00

Expenditures

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$ 120.75	
Amos Gallant, pickup	41.40	
Claude Goodell, truck	144.00	
Joseph Furlong, Jr., truck	120.00	
Joseph Gillett, truck	108.00	
David Gillett, truck	99.75	
Roy Simmons, operator	101.50	
Edward Gallant, operator	101.50	
Ora Markham, truck hone and operator	186.00	
Lane Construction Co., 1.3 Steamix	409.71	
American Tar Co., 11,523 MC 3 tar	1,984.10	
Emil Schulze, labor	75.75	
General Sand & Stone, 208.7 P Stone	354.79	
General Sand & Stone, 278.6 grits	417.91	
General Sand & Stone, 21.7 sand	21.70	
Town of Washington, loader	64.00	
Town of Washington, sand truck	130.50	
Town of Washington, dump truck	18.40	
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Total expended	\$4,499.76	
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Unexpended		.24

CHAPTER 81

State Appropriation	\$14,575.00
Town Appropriation	795.00
Transferred from Reserve	.22

Total Available	\$15,370.22
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Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$1,324.75
Amos Gallant, pickup	454.20
Roy Simmons, operator	1,191.75
Edward Gallant, operator	1,279.25
Emil Schulze, operator	14.00
Emil Schulze, labor	1,044.00
Petrometal Industries, danger signs	145.73
A. Leo Nash, 2-18 in. x 20 culverts and band	137.89
John Campbell, labor	12.00
William Engwer, chain saw	150.00
Norman Radwich, power mower	400.50
Edward Murray, operator	26.40
Town of Washington, D truck	616.40
Town of Washington, loader	1,020.00
Town of Washington, sand truck	85.50
Joseph Gillett, truck	264.00
C. Goodell, truck	216.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	444.00
David Gillett, truck	114.00
Lane Construction Co., 3.95 Steamix	26.47
Town of Becket, grader	64.00
Carr Hardware Co., S blades	21.36
Becket General Store, paint, turp., brush and tape	23.51

Total	\$9,075.71
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CHAPTER 81 SNOW REMOVAL

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$556.80
Amos Gallant, pickup	208.80
Roy Simmons, operator	556.80
Edward Gallant, operator	526.40
Town of Washington, truck and sander	778.50
Town of Washington, D truck	138.00
Town of Washington, loader	368.00
James Quirico, 30 yd. sand	30.00
Emil Schulze, labor	78.40
Edward Murray, operator	42.90
Town of Becket, grader	64.00
Town of Becket, bulldozer	24.00
Rolland Const. Co., 240 yds. sand	180.00
Chemical Corp., 19.35 rock salt	361.85
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Total	\$3,914.45

CHAPTER 81, MATERIAL

New England Culvert, 18 ft. C.M. Culvert	\$ 39.52
May Collalto, 1700 yd. gravel	170.00
Leona Fassell, 400 yd. gravel	40.00
General Sand & Stone, 380.8 P Stone	647.37
Becket General Store, 4 shovels; 4 snaths,	28.00
Becket Gen. Store, 2 axes; 6 shovels; 3 rakes	46.95
American Tar Co, 74.80 Mc 5 tar	1,287.95
Lane Construction Co., 17.95 Steamix	120.27
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Total	\$2,380.06
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Total expended	\$15,370.22

CEMETERIES

Appropriated	\$200.00
Roy Simmons, labor	\$200.00

EDEN GLEN POND

Appropriated		\$50.00
Transferred from Reserve		5.65
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Total Available		\$55.65
Emil Schulze, labor	\$48.00	
General Sand & Stone	7.65	
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		\$55.65

TOWN OF BECKET DUMP

Appropriated	\$50.00
Use of Dump	\$50.00

BERKSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT

Appropriated	\$1,052.20
John Shields, Treasurer	\$1,052.20

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriated	\$1,000.00
Pierce & Company, Annual policy	965.40
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Unexpended	\$ 34.60

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF WASHINGTON

Appropriated—Sons and Daughters reunion	\$25.00
Marguerite Schulze, Treasurer S & D	\$25.00

BRIDGES

Appropriated		\$400.00
Kelly Lumber, 2,032 ft. plank	\$223.52	
Kelly Lumber, ship lap and bridge rails	23.54	
Kelly Lumber, bridge plank	127.38	
Kelly Lumber, c 50 nails	8.10	
Amos Gallant, Superintendent	3.50	
Roy Simmons, operator	3.50	
Edward Gallant, operator	3.50	
Amos Gallant, pickup	1.20	
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Total Expended		\$394.24
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Unexpended		\$ 5.76

OFFICERS' BONDS

Appropriated		\$60.00
Reynolds, Barnes, & Hebb, Town Clerk and Treasurer	\$18.50	
Reynolds, Barnes, & Hebb, Dep. Tax Coll.	5.00	
Mass. Bonding Co., Tax Collector	27.00	
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Total Expended		\$50.50
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Unexpended		\$ 9.50

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE

Appropriated		\$312.72
Transferred from OAA & ADC Administration		23.28
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Total Available		\$336.00
Virginia Palmer, Treasurer E.B.W.		\$336.00

GENERAL RELIEF

Appropriated	\$700.00
Case No. 5 out of town	198.30
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Unexpended	\$501.70

DISCOUNT ON NOTES

Appropriation	\$500.00
Merchant's National Bank	480.04
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Unexpended	\$ 19.96

FOREST WARDEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Ernest Schulze	8.11
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Unexpended	\$ 91.89

TREE WARDEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Ernest Schulze, labor	25.50
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Unexpended	\$ 74.50

GYPSY MOTH CONTROL

Appropriated	\$50.00
Ernest Schulze, labor	15.00
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Unexpended	\$35.00

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriated	\$300.00
Western Mass. Electric Co., Town Hall lights	12.00
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Unexpended	\$288.00

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Appropriated	\$200.00
Transferred from Reserve	12.00

Total Available	\$212.00
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Joseph N. Blotz, Animal Inspector	\$ 40.00
Joseph N. Blotz, Inspector Slaughtering	25.00
Ernest Schulze, Meat Inspector	4.50
Joseph Furlong Jr., Chief of Police	100.00
Roland Daigle, Sealer Weights and Meas.	10.00
Theodore Cameron, Dog Tax Officer	10.00
Ernest Schulze, Meat Inspector	22.50

Total Expended	\$212.00
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SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriated Annual Meeting	\$3,000.00
Appropriated Special Meeting	3,000.00
Transferred from Reserve	2.60

Total Available	\$6,002.60
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Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$ 746.95
Amos Gallant, pickup	244.80
Roy Simmons, operator	769.55
Edward Gallant, operator	726.10
David Gillett, truck	38.00
Joseph Furlong, truck	48.00
Emil Schulze, labor	168.00
Edward Murray, labor	39.60
Town of Washington, loader	950.00
Town of Washington, sander	1,089.00
Town of Washington, D truck	143.60
Town of Becket, grader	96.00
James Quirico, bulldozer	650.00
Rolland Construction Co., sand	123.00
Francis Lane, truck plow	91.00
General Sand, 79 T sand	79.00

Total Expended	\$6,002.60
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TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriated		\$1,200.00
Florence Simmons, Ballot Clerk	\$ 9.00	
Elizabeth Gallant, Ballot Clerk	6.00	
Harold Klein, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
Joan Cadman, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
Marguerite Schulze, Ballot Clerk	6.00	
Marguerite Schulze, Tax Collector	150.00	
Harry C. Shaw, Chairman Selectmen	150.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Town Clerk	100.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Town Treasurer	150.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Clerk, Assessors	60.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Selectman	50.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Registrations	8.00	
Harry C. Shaw, Moderator	10.00	
Harry C. Shaw, Registrations	4.00	
Emil Schulze, Selectman	50.00	
Emil Schulze, Assessor	50.00	
James S. Brown, Assessor	50.00	
Edward Rushbrook, Assessor	50.00	
Marguerite Schulze, Auditor	25.00	
Louise Elliot, Clerk, School Committee	60.00	
George L. Davenport, School Committee	50.00	
Ernest Schulze, Tree Warden	25.00	
Fred T. Hensen, Jr., Assessor	50.00	
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., School Committee	50.00	
Total Expended		\$1,169.00
Unexpended		\$ 31.00

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE ADMINISTRATOR

Appropriated	\$65.00
Harry C. Shaw, services	\$65.00

MACHINERY

Appropriation Annual Meeting	\$3,688.69
Special Meeting	2,500.00
Transferred from Reserve	4.09

Total Available	\$6,192.78
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Pittsfield Weld. & Sup., oxygen and dem.	\$ 109.48
Central Garage, tires, parts and labor D truck	244.55
parts and labor, sander truck	65.43
Joseph Gillett, labor and material, sander trk.	12.83
labor and material D truck	83.00
labor and material loader	131.92
i3.3 gasoline	3.89
Triad Weld. Service, snow plow lift	118.50
Alfred Dean, install K bolts and other labor	60.00
Berk. Mill Sup., packings, belt, sprocket	4.09
bolts, sand truck	13.32
roller chain and links	26.24
Emil Schulze, wood for garage stove	16.00
Albee's, cushion and backrest D truck	30.00
James S. Brown, set used chains	10.00
Pitts. Re-tread, tires and tubes	100.21
tire repair and service	14.50
Amos Gallant, drive shaft	8.00
New England Tel. & Tel., garage phone	72.46
Ludlow Tires, 2 tires D truck	65.00
Murray Bros., motor and parts installed D trk.	62.90
A Leo Nash, 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ plate 3x8 7 labor	79.58
16 ga. sheets	21.65
West. Mass. Elec., garage power and light	16.56
Joseph Furlong, Jr., tire chains	15.00
Merchant's Nat. Bank, loader and truck notes	
and interest	2,123.75
Stapleton Inc., chains, plates and bolts	93.54
14x14 plate	3.15
reline brakes	3.47

Becket Gen. Store, brake fluid, turn buckle	\$ 4.28	
pulley, enamel, bolts and brushes	26.27	
glass, bolts and sand paper	1.54	
garage tools and supplies	21.12	
enamel and brushes	6.01	
Fed. Tool & Steel, steel cross chains	70.96	
1134 lbs. steel and bolts for plows	532.87	
Brookshire Ford, D truck parts	.64	
Georges Frame Shop, lining wheels D truck	4.50	
Levernoch Bros., 4,910 gal. gasoline	1,141.90	
oil, grease	134.98	
Socony Oil Co., 533 gal. gasoline	158.93	
Graves Equipment, 7 loader teeth	28.81	
loader tooth and post	5.28	
one yoke	41.75	
loader pump and parts	40.86	
loader parts	25.91	
brakes, drum and labor	203.02	
Messenger's Garage, parts and labor D trk.	96.37	
sand truck	25.27	
Tarbell Waters, 2 GE lamps	3.40	
Becket General Store, 1 hand light	4.85	
2 dry cells	1.30	
1 3/8 HP bit	1.79	
24 5/16 bits	.80	
fuses	.35	
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Total Expended		\$6,192.78

VETERANS' AID

Appropriated		\$1,500.00
McKesson & Robbins, medicines, Case 1	\$1,159.60	
Thomas Flynn, medicines, Case 1	20.00	
Hinsdale Drug Co., medicines, Case 1	5.00	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield, insurance, Case 3	190.25	
Food and rent, Case 4	117.50	
Fuel and food, Case 5	32.64	
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Total Expended		\$1,524.99

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Town Appropriation		\$1,000.00
Transferred from Old Age Assistance		1,000.00
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Total		\$2,000.00
1957 Federal balance	\$1,310.00	
1958 Federal receipts	2,046.93	
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	\$3,356.93	
Expended from Federal	3,165.59	
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Balance	\$ 191.34	
Transferred from Reserve		\$ 467.91
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Total Available, Town Appropriation		\$2,467.51
Total Expended, Town Appropriation		\$2,467.51

Payroll Expenditures

January 1 to January 15	\$218.20
January 15 to January 31	324.70
February 1 to February 15	218.20
February 15 to February 28	303.55
March 1 to March 15	218.20
March 15 to March 31	273.55
April 1 to April 15	218.20
April 15 to April 30	278.45
May 1 to May 15	194.50
May 15 to May 30	260.76
June 1 to June 15	172.55
June 15 to June 30	194.55
July 1 to July 15	172.55
July 15 to July 31	245.30
August 1 to August 15	172.55
August 15 to August 31	182.85
September 1 to September 15	146.55
September 15 to September 30	300.60
October 1 to October 15	189.55

October 15 to October 31	\$261.34	
November 1 to November 15	189.55	
November 15 to November 30	257.25	
December 1 to December 15	199.00	
December 15 to December 30	440.60	
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Total Expended		\$5,633.10

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation		\$5,000.00
Transferred to Aid to Dependent Children, Special Meeting		1,000.00
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Available		\$4,000.00
Federal balance 1957	\$ 440.44	
Federal receipts 1957	2,551.75	
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	\$2,992.19	
Expended	\$2,003.05	
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Unexpended	\$ 989.14	
Expended Town Appropriation		\$3,602.04
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Unexpended		\$ 397.96

Payroll Expenditures

January 1 to January 15	\$195.55
January 15 to January 31	299.75
February 1 to February 15	195.55
February 15 to February 28	297.60
March 1 to March 15	195.55
March 15 to March 31	267.65
April 1 to April 15	195.55
April 15 to April 30	282.75
May 1 to May 15	195.55
May 15 to May 31	288.55

June 1 to June 15	\$179.15
June 15 to June 30	270.25
July 1 to July 15	183.05
July 15 to July 31	263.85
August 1 to August 15	183.05
August 15 to August 31	276.25
September 1 to September 15	196.90
September 15 to September 30	276.10
October 1 to October 15	142.70
October 15 to October 31	219.40
November 1 to November 15	142.70
November 15 to November 30	331.30
January 1 to June 30, out-of-town	56.74
December 1 to December 15	142.70
December 15 to December 31	326.90

Total Expended

\$5,605.09

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Appropriated	\$107.17
Ernest Schulze, labor	12.00
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Unexpended	\$ 95.17

BECKET FIREMEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Becket Firemen, request for Hinsdale aid	25.00
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Unexpended	\$ 75.00

BECKET FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	\$500.00
Town of Becket	\$500.00

HINSDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated for ambulance service (donation)	\$100.00
Hinsdale Fire Dept., ambulance service	\$100.00

DISABILITY AID

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriated	\$50.00
Unexpended	\$50.00

CARE OF INFANTS (Board of Health)
(Weighing less than five pounds at birth)

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

RESERVE

Appropriated		\$500.00
Eden Glen Pond	\$ 5.65	
A.D.C.	467.51	
Insurance on buildings	3.01	
Chapter 90	.02	
Snow removal	2.60	
Chapter 81	.22	
Machinery	4.19	
Appointed officers	12.00	
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Total Expended		\$495.20
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Unexpended		\$ 4.80

INSURANCE ON BUILDINGS

Appropriated		\$643.25
Transferred from Reserve		3.01
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Total Available		\$646.26
Pierce & Co., Town Hall, weights and meas.	\$ 15.78	
Liability	10.00	
Town Garage	61.06	
School House and contents	559.42	
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Total Expended		\$646.26

EXTRA JANITOR SERVICE

Appropriated		\$150.00
Roy Simmons	\$75.00	
Andrew Methe	6.00	
Theodore Cameron	6.00	
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Expended		\$ 81.00
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Unexpended		\$ 69.00

LIABILITY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE ON LOADER
AND TRUCKS

Appropriated	\$345.77
Unexpended	\$345.77

MISCELLANEOUS

Appropriation		\$900.00
Mass. Veterans' Service Assoc., dues	\$ 10.00	
Mass. Assessors' Assoc., dues	9.00	
Mass. Treas. & Tax Collectors, dues	4.00	
Mass. Selectmen's Assoc., dues	10.00	
H. F. Goggins, photostat records	13.20	

Stoneham Ind., 2 sets auto exc. tables	\$ 2.00
Eagle Printing & Binding Co., ballots	23.95
Envelopes	1.25
135 Town Reports	292.50
Pittsfield National Bank, check books printed	13.80
Hobbs & Warren, forms and record books	42.60
Emil Schulz, postage, mileage, phone	20.00
Leo Samson Agency, Index file	4.55
Berkshire Eagle, legal advt.	17.84
C. A. R. Simmons, mileage, post., phone, and Lenox dinner of Mass. Selectmen	64.83
C. A. R. Simmons, recording, births, deaths and marriages	9.00
Berkshire Co. Selectmen's Assoc., dues	6.00
Mass. Town Clerks' Assoc.	7.50
Marguerite Schultz, labor and trips to Pittsfield	22.50
Postage, mileage and phone	33.24
tax titles	5.75
Western Mass. Veteran Service Assoc., dues	2.00
Joseph Furlong, Jr., lost time on truck at fire	24.00
Andrew Methe, mileage, postage and phone	13.60
Herman Dine, certification of note	2.00
John Gardner, labor and material on town hall	5.00
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., expenses on town work	6.00
Barre Gazette, tax forms	11.36
Stevenson & Co., blast bond	10.00
Harry C. Shaw, mileage, post., tel. & Tel.	103.11
County Selectmen's meeting	5.00
Mrs. Dorothy Bartsch, stamped envelopes	48.40
Edward Rushbrook, labor on wiring	10.00
Mass. Veterans' Assoc., dues	10.00

Total Expended

\$863.78

Unexpended

\$ 36.22

SCHOOL NOTE AND INTEREST

Appropriated for note	\$5,000.00
Appropriated for interest	1,464.00
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Total Available	\$6,464.00
Merchant's National Bank, note and interest	\$6,464.00

RECAPITULATION

Old Age Assistance	\$ 5,633.10
Aid to Dependent Children	5,605.09
Chapter 90	21,000.02
Chapter 81	15,370.22
Machinery	6,192.78
Miscellaneous	863.78
Cemeteries	200.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administration	65.00
Veterans' Aid	1,524.99
Snow Removal	6,002.60
Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,499.76
Becket Fire Department	500.00
Sons' and Daughters' Reunion	25.00
Berkshire County Retirement	1,052.20
Hinsdale Fire Department	100.00
Discount on Notes	480.04
Eastern Berkshire Welfare Department	336.00
Eden Glen Pond	55.65
Bridges	394.24
Officers' Bonds	50.50
Becket Dump	50.00
Tree Warden	25.50
Forest Warden	8.11
Gypsy Moth Control	15.00
Dutch Elm Disease	12.00

Workmen's Compensation	\$ 965.40
Becket Firemen	25.00
General Relief	198.30
Insurance on Buildings	646.26
Janitor Service	81.00
Town Officers	1,169.00
Appointed Officers	212.00
Civil Defense	12.00
School Note and Interest	6,464.00
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	\$79,834.54

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SHAW, Chairman
C. A. R. SIMMONS
EMIL SCHULZE

Board of Selectmen.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1958		\$31,537.40
1953 Real Estate	\$ 48.36	
Interest	3.05	
1954 Personal	98.35	
Interest	13.79	
1954 Real Estate	51.17	
Interest	6.40	
1955 Personal	102.93	
Interest	12.20	
1955 Real Estate	225.67	
Interest	23.69	
1956 Personal	149.34	
Interest	11.31	
1956 Real Estate	359.48	
Interest	18.39	
1956 Excise	871.65	
Interest	70.53	
1957 Poll	24.00	
Interest	.96	
1957 Personal	190.67	
Interest	6.31	
1957 Excise	1,101.63	
Interest	32.26	
1957 Real Estate	2,025.27	
Interest	40.87	
1957 Farm Excise	19.51	
Interest	.75	
1958 Poll	112.00	
Interest	.41	
1958 Excise	2,014.29	
Interest	2.79	
1958 Personal	2,084.15	
Interest	.36	
1958 Farm Excise	18.28	
Interest	.04	
1958 Real Estate	13,112.95	
Interest	4.09	
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		\$22,857.90

Selectmen's Licenses	\$ 654.00
Loader and Truck earnings:	
Town of Washington	7,533.60
Town of Becket	132.60
Town of Middlefield	125.00
Town of Hinsdale	143.75
Town of Tyringham	160.00
Amos Gallant	18.40
Albert Larson	10.00
James S. Brown	9.00
Joan Cadman	19.00
Harry Shaw	18.00
Withholding Tax Deductions	2,771.55
Berkshire County Deductions	784.94
Sporting License	117.00
County of Berkshire Dog License Refund	91.22
Dog Licenses	122.00
School Lunch Program	736.70
School Lunch Program, State	341.58
Old Age Assistance, State	2,544.04
Old Age Assistance, Federal	2,551.75
Old Age Assistance, Other Towns	81.51
Old Age Assistance Administration	17.49
Aid Dependent Children, State	1,903.74
Aid Dependent Children, Federal	2,046.93
Aid Dependent Children, Administration	15.02
Old Age Assistance Meal Tax	189.90
Comm'r. Veterans' Service	441.96
Chapter 81, 1957 Contract	1,474.76
Chapter 81, 1958 Contract	13,100.00
Chapter 90, Construction, 1957 Contract	13,000.00
Chapter 90, Const., Berkshire County, 1957	6,000.00
Chapter 90, Maint., Berkshire County	1,499.92
Chapter 718, Bond Issue, 1956	2,000.00
State Reimbursement on new school	2,504.27
Harry C. Shaw, Bridge plank	9.90
Loss of taxes	10,495.55

Child Guardianship	\$ 308.95	
Education and Transportation	6,254.72	
School Superintendent	685.40	
Chapter 70 School	5,754.61	
Income Tax, school aid retarded children	54.50	
Income tax	390.00	
Corporation tax	810.00	
City of Pittsfield, in lieu of taxes	3,235.00	
Division of Livestock disease control	20.00	
District court	300.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	2.00	
Merchant's National Bank, Highway loan	36,575.00	
Berkshire County Savings Bank, interest	61.51	
Chapter 90 Highways, state	1,499.92	
Bucksteep Manor	7.50	
	<hr/>	\$129,624.19
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		\$184,019.49

EXPENDITURES

Selectmen's Orders	\$79,834.54	
Schools	27,488.60	
Collector of Internal Revenue	2,771.55	
Berkshire County Retirement Board	784.94	
Division of Fisheries and Game	117.00	
Dog Licenses	123.75	
State Audit	217.61	
State Parks	138.55	
Berkshire County Mosquito Control	77.29	
Tax Refunds	128.99	
County Tax	1,234.72	
Merchant's National Bank, Chapter 81 Loan	14,575.00	
School Lunch Program	1,023.43	
	<hr/>	\$128,515.97

PITTSFIELD NATIONAL BANK

Balance as per statement Dec. 31, 1958		\$57,032.03
Balance as per Check Book, Dec. 31, 1958	\$50,520.53	
Outstanding checks, as per list	6,511.50	
	<hr/>	57,032.03
Pittsfield National Bank checking Account	\$50,520.53	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1958	3,521.37	
Berkshire County Savings Bank	1,461.62	
	<hr/>	\$55,503.52

Respectfully submitted,

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,
Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Dog Licenses

Males, 41 at \$2.00	\$ 82.00
Females, 3 at \$5.00	15.00
Spayed females, 16 at \$2.00	32.00
Kennel, 1 at \$10.00	10.00

 \$139.00

Fees retained	15.25
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Paid Treasurer	\$123.75
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Sporting Licenses

Resident Citizen's

Fishing	8 at \$3.25	\$ 26.00
Hunting	4 at 3.25	13.00
Sporting	12 at 5.25	63.00
Minor fishing	1 at 1.25	1.25
Female fishing	4 at 2.25	9.00

Non-Resident

Fishing, 3 day	1 at 2.75	2.75
Minor fishing	1 at 2.25	2.25
Fishing	1 at 7.75	7.75
Sporting, free	1	

 \$125.00

Fees retained	8.00
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Paid Treasurer	\$117.00
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Births

1958

- June 21 Yvonne Alice Deane, daughter, to Alfred Ernest Deane and Lorraine Agnes Campbell.
- July 30 James Stanley Lampro, son, to Francis Henry Lampro and Patricia Ann Burke.

Marriages

- Nov. 15 Joseph Anthony Rock of Washington and Lorraine May Winslow of Adams.

Deaths

1958

- Jan. 7 Carrie M. Buchanan, age 95
- Jan. 9 Annie (Biron) Lampro, age 78
- Mar. 4 Mary Caroline Jackson, age 92
- May 22 John H. Campbell, Jr., age 54
- May 26 Ida M. Sherman, age 95
- June 25 Fannie Bennett Raymond, age 98
- June 7 Katherine E. Blotz, age 64
- July 4 Mary Louise Connors, age 68
- Aug. 5 Mary Prout, age 81
- Aug. 24 Bessie (Evans) Stone, age 79
- Aug. 30 Marilla A. Harris, age 84
- Sept. 11 Fred J. Perron, age 76
- Nov. 2 Warren S. Maxfield, age 83.

Respectfully submitted,

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,
Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

1958 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriation to be raised by taxation \$49,801.11

Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds:

In 1958	\$15,725.97	
In 1957 since 1957 rate was fixed	4,029.34	
	<u> </u>	19,755.31

\$69,556.42

State: Tax and Assessments:	1958	1957	
State Parks and Reservations	\$ 140.12	3.86	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	217.61		
Mosquito Control	77.29		
	<u>\$435.02</u>	3.86	\$438.88

County: Tax and Assessments:			
County Tax	\$1,219.71	\$102.30	
	<u> </u>		1,322.01
Overlay of current year			835.14

Gross amount to be raised \$72,152.45

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:

Income Tax	\$ 5,895.79
Corporation Taxes	689.81
Reimbursement on publicly owned Land	10,495.55
Old Age Tax (Meals)	195.91
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	2,275.00
Licenses	400.00
Fines	10.00
Protection of Persons and Property	15.00
Charities (other than federal grants)	1,200.00
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	2,000.00
Veterans' Services	200.00
Schools	5,000.00
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	100.00
Chapter 375 Acts of 1954, City of Pittsfield	3,235.00

Total Estimated Receipts \$31,712.06

Overestimates:

Berkshire County Project

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Amounts taken from Available Funds

Appropriations voted

6-15-57	\$ 1,729.34
12-27-57	2,300.00
2- 8-58	12,675.97
2- 8-58	2,500.00
3-18-58	3,000.00
4- 8-58	50.00
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	22,255.31

Total available funds	<hr/>	\$22,255.35
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Total estimated receipts and available funds		<hr/>	\$53,967.41
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Net amount to be raised by taxation on polls and property			\$18,185.04
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Number of Polls, 65		Tax	\$ 130.00
Personal	Value \$ 43,014.00	Tax	2,451.80
Real Estate	Value 273,741.00	Tax	15,603.24

Total Valuation	\$316,755.00
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Total taxes levied on polls and property		\$18,185.04
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Real Estate Tax \$57.00

1958 TABLE OF AGGREGATES

<i>Number of Persons Assessed</i>	<i>Individuals</i>	<i>All Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
On Personal Estate only	3	7	10
On Real Estate only	109	4	113
On both Personal and Real Estate	25	3	28

Total number of persons assessed	<hr/>	151
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Total number of polls assessed		65
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Value of assessed personal estate

Stock in trade	\$3,100.00
Machinery	34,905.00
Live Stock	1,134.00
All other tangible personal property	3,875.00
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Total value of assessed personal estate		\$43,014.00
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Value of assessed real estate		
Land exclusive of buildings	\$ 67,327.00	
Buildings exclusive of land	206,414.00	
	<hr/>	\$273,741.00
Total valuation of assessed estate		\$316,755.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000.00—\$57.00		
Taxes, including overlay		
On personal estate	\$ 2,451.80	
On Real Estate	15,603.24	
On polls	130.00	
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Total taxes assessed		\$18,185.04
Number of live stock assessed		
Horses		1
Neat Cattle: Cows (Milch)		10
Steers—3 Heifers—5		8
Sheep		5
Fowl		50
All other		13
Number of acres of land assessed		8,602
Number of dwelling houses assessed		103

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS

FRED T. HANSEN, JR.

EMIL SCHULZE

EDWARD L. RUSHBROOK

Assessors of Washington.

1958 TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Outstanding according to 1957 Town Report \$42.90 of 1952 Real
Estate Taxes taken by Tax Title \$42.90

1953 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Outstanding in 1957 Town Report \$61.40

Taken by Tax Title Real Estate Taxes	\$20.80
Collected and Pd. Treasurer, Real Estate	48.36
Abated Personal Taxes	2.24

1953 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$3.05

1954 REAL AND PERSONAL TAXES

Collected and Pd. Treasurer in 1958

Real Estate Taxes	\$ 51.17	Outstanding Real Estate	
Taken by Tax Title	36.33	Taxes in 1957	\$184.17
Uncollected	96.67	Outstanding personal taxes	
Pd. Treas. in 1958		in 1957	113.75
personal taxes	98.35		
Uncollected	15.40		\$297.92
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	\$297.92		

Collected 1954 interest and paid Treasurer—\$20.19

1955 REAL AND PERSONAL TAXES

Pd. Treas. in 1955		Real Estate Warrant	\$14,154.86
property taxes	\$11,002.78	Personal Warrant	2,481.55
Abated	48.78	Poll Tax Warrant	166.00
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
real estate taxes	2,546.37		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
real estate taxes	268.28		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
real estate taxes	225.67		
Taken by Tax Title	28.55		
Uncollected	34.43		
Pd. Treas. in 1955			
personal taxes	1 983.24		
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
personal taxes	335.78		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
personal taxes	22.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
personal taxes	102.93		
Uncollected	37.60		
Pd. Treas. in 1955-1956			
poll taxes	136.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
poll taxes	4.00		
Abated in 1955			
poll taxes	22.00		
Abated in 1957			
poll taxes	4.00		
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	\$16,802.41		\$16,802.41

1955 interest collected and paid Treasurer in 1958—\$35.89

1956 REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL TAXES

Pd. Treas. in 1956		Real Estate Warrant	\$15,186.23
real estate	\$12,645.86	Personal Tax Warrant	2,502.70
Abatements	210.34	Poll Tax Warrant	136.00
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
real estate taxes	1,741.91		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
real estate taxes	358.98		
Taken by Tax Title	29.64		
Uncollected	199.50		
Pd. Treas. in 1956			
personal taxes	2,086.89		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
personal taxes	201.49		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
personal taxes	149.34		
Uncollected			
personal taxes	64.98		
Pd. Treas. in 1956-1957			
poll taxes	134.00		
Abated poll tax in 1957	2.00		
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	\$17,824.93		\$17,824.93
	.50 overpayment		

1956 EXCISE TAXES

Collected and Pd. Treas.		Warrants	\$4,170.00
in 1956	\$1,488.49	Additional Warrants	942.57
Abated in 1956			
and refunded	57.90		
Abated	84.17		
Pd. Treas. in 1957	1,577.13		
Abated in 1957	356.75		
Pd. Treas. in 1958	871.65		
Uncollected	677.01		
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	\$5,113.10		\$5,113.10

1956 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$100.23

1957 REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL AND POLL TAXES

Collected in 1957 and Pd.		Real Estate Warrant	\$15,277.82
Treas., r. estate	\$12,362.40	Personal Tax Warrant	2,344.18
Abated	214.03	Poll Tax Warrant	132.00
Collected in 1958 and		Farm Excise Warrant	19.51
Paid Treas.	2,002.00		
Taken by Tax Title	29.64		
Uncollected	669.75		
Pd. Treas in 1957			
personal taxes	2,085.11		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
personal taxes	190.67		
Uncollected	68.40		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
Poll Taxes	100.00		
Abated	2.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
poll taxes	24.00		
Uncollected	6.00		
Collected in 1958,			
farm excise	19.51		
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	\$17,773.51		\$17,773.51

1957 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Pd. Treas. in 1957	\$1,320.49	Warrants	\$3,987.76
Abatements	27.84		
Abatements in 1958	194.97		
Collected in 1958 and			
paid Treas.	1,101.63		
Uncollected	1,342.83		
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	\$3,987.76		\$3,987.76

1957 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$104.42
overpayment \$3.85

1958 REAL ESTATE and PERSONAL, FARM EXCISE AND POLL TAXES

Collected and Pd.		Real Estate Warrant	\$15,603.24
Treas.	\$13,112.95	Personal Warrant	2,451.80
Abated real estate taxes	184.61	Farm Excise	50.15
Uncollected real estate		Poll Tax	130.00
taxes	2,305.68		
Collected pers. taxes	2,084.15		
Abated personal tax	5.70		
Uncollected personal tax	361.95		
Collected Farm excise	18.28		
Uncollected	31.87		
Collected poll taxes	112.00		
Uncollected	18.00		
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	\$18,235.19		\$18,235.19

1958 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Collected and Pd.		Warrants	\$3,268.89
Treasurer	\$1,936.40		
Collected and refunded	77.89		
Abated	17.07		
Uncollected	1,237.53		
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	\$3,268.89		\$3,268.89

1958 interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$7.69

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE E. SCHULZE,
Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Agent's report to the Board of Public Welfare:

As we close our books at the end of the seventh year in the operation of the administration of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District, I am glad to be able to report that our net costs for Public Welfare have declined during the past year.

The decline in costs may be best appreciated if we take into consideration that it took place despite the inescapable impact of the following factors:—

1. The increase in costs for hospitalization this past year.
2. The increase in allowance for winter fuel which became effective in the fall of 1957 and which affected all budgets for a full year during 1958.
3. The increase in children's exemptions which lowered the amount of contributions received toward the support of parents being aided.

The Social Security Amendments of 1958 have made important changes on the public assistance programs which will give general benefit increases effective January 1959 and will be received in February. This will give beneficiaries of assistance increased resources which in turn will reduce the amount of assistance payments.

This increased resource will be offset by the fact that hospital costs and nursing home care rates have been sharply increased for 1959.

The case load for Aid To Dependent Children on January 1, 1958 included four families with a total of nine persons being aided. The average cost per family or per case in that month was \$135.73. The case load for this category fluctuated during the year. In December 1958 a total of five cases or families were being aided which included eleven persons at an average cost of \$127.92 per case or per family.

Washington has had no cases in the Disability Assistance category during the past two years and has been fortunate in having only one or two local General Relief cases.

However the Town has been liable for aid furnished to persons in other towns who hold a Washington settlement. When such a cir-

cumstance arises, it affects the General Relief or Old Age Assistance categories.

On January 1, 1958 there were ten active cases, which actually serviced twenty-one persons. During the year three cases were closed out. At the end of 1958 the case load had increased to eleven cases, with a net number of recipients totaling seventeen persons. This shows an increase of only one case but the actual number of recipients serviced during the year was twenty-eight.

A change in the Federal Reimbursements on the categories of Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children and Disability Assistance, which became effective in August of 1958 has resulted in a small increase per case from the Federal Government. This increase lowers local costs slightly.

There are Federal Grant balances in both Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children categories to carry over into 1959. However these balances are smaller than in the past two years which could affect the appropriations for next year.

As in the past, I again wish to express my appreciation for the excellent cooperation of the Washington Town Officials.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) JOSEPHINE H. EAMES,
Agent.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$5,000.00	
Expended from Appropriation	4,602.70	
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Balance to be returned to General Funds	\$ 407.96	
Federal Grant balance 1/1/58	\$ 440.44	
Federal Grants received	2,551.75	
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Total		\$2,992.19
Expenditures from Federal Grant		\$2,003.05
Federal Grant balance 1/1/59	\$ 989.14	
Received from Commonwealth	2,544.04	
Received from other towns	81.51	
Net Cost to Town	1,428.45	

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	\$1,000.00	
Transferred from Reserve Account	467.51	
Transferred from Old Age Assistance appropriation	1,000.00	
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Expenditures from Appropriation		\$2,467.51
Federal Grant Balance 1/1/58	\$1,310.00	
Federal Grants Received	2,046.93	
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Total		\$8,356.93
Expenditures from Federal Grant		3,165.59
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Federal Grant Balance 1/1/59		\$ 191.34
Received from Commonwealth	\$1,903.74	
Net Cost to Town (Expenditures less receipts)	1,682.43	

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$100.00	
Expenditures		none
Balance to be returned to Town General		
Funds	\$100.00	
Federal Grant balance 1/1/58		\$54.24
Balance on hand 1/1/59		\$54.24

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$700.00	
Expenditures	198.30	
Balance to be returned to Town General		
Funds	\$501.70	

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/58		\$14.80
Transferred to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District		14.80
Federal Grants Received	\$17.49	
Balance 1/1/59	17.49	

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION

Federal Grant balance 1/1/58		\$8.48
Transferred to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District		8.48
Federal Grants received	\$15.02	
Federal Grant balance 1/1/59	15.02	

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriation	\$312.72	
Paid to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District		312.72

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—1958

On Hand 1/1/58	District	Hinsdale	Becket	Peru	Washington
Reimbursement	\$1,821.34	\$1,021.40	\$ 579.93	\$ 69.65	\$ 150.36
Paid in by Towns	8,778.29	4,588.45	2,774.97	746.58	668.29
	4,008.56	2,128.19	1,212.00	332.27	336.00
Total	\$14,608.19	\$7,738.04	\$4,566.90	\$1,148.60	\$1,154.65
Warrants	\$13,063.00	\$6,838.80	\$4,107.11	\$1,109.22	\$1,007.87
Balance	1,545.19	899.24	459.79	39.38	146.78
Net Operating Expense 1958	4,284.71	2,250.35	1,332.14	362.64	339.58

Percent of Case Load:					
1/1/58 to 6/30/58		52.9	30.3	8.4	8.4
7/1/58 to 12/31/58		51.7	32.8	8.6	6.9
1/1/59 to 6/30/59		52.1	29.9	8.6	9.4

BUDGET FOR 1959

Salaries	\$10,795.00
Agent's Travel Expense	500.00
Rent and Maintenance	625.00
Postage	300.00
Telephone	250.00
Electricity	75.00
Retirement Fund	665.92
Bond for Treasurer	15.00
Heat	400.00
Office Supplies	175.00
Office Equipment	200.00
Repair of Office Equipment	70.00
Insurance	
Miscellaneous	79.08
	\$14,150.00

Case Load

Hinsdale	OAA	ADC	DA	GR	Total	Percent
Becket	41	6	7	7	61	52.1
Peru	26	4	2	3	35	29.9
Washington	9		1		10	8.6
	6	5			11	9.4
	82	15	10	10	117	100.0

ESTIMATED REIMBURSEMENTS FOR 1959

State	\$4,000.00
Federal	4,305.00
Balance in 1959 Account	1,545.00
Total	\$9,850.00
Net Cost to Towns	4,300.00
	(Bal. from '58
Proportion per Town:	(Appro.) Admin. Reimb.)
Hinsdale	\$2,149.20 plus \$ 91.10)
Becket	(1,198.39 plus 87.31)
Peru	(363.21 plus 6.59)
Washington	(371.69 plus 32.51)
	\$4,300.00 (\$4,082.49
	\$217.51)

1958 FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation		\$27,595.00
Teachers	\$7,294.61	
Textbooks	131.10	
Stationery and supplies	294.94	
Janitor	870.00	
Fuel	1,224.82	
Lights and telephone	495.75	
Repairs	497.79	
Health	101.08	
Local Transportation	2,324.00	
High School Transportation	5,667.00	
High School Tuition	6,783.20	
Miscellaneous	28.09	
Earl C. Sutor, Superintendent	1,520.10	
Superintendent's expenses	205.42	
All others	50.70	
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Total Expenditures		\$27,488.60
Unexpended balance		106.40

LOUISE E. ELLIOT

Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1958

Expenditures	\$27,488.60
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Receipts:

Reimbursement from the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts

Chapter 70—State Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	685.40
All School Transportation	6,254.72
State Ward Tuition	308.95
School Psychologist	54.50

Total Receipts	\$12,983.18
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Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the support of schools for 1958	\$14,505.42
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Budget for 1959

Teachers' Salaries	\$9,300.00
Textbooks	125.00
Supplies for Instruction	200.00
Janitor	870.00
Fuel	1,500.00
Lights, telephone and power	450.00
Repairs	300.00
Health	200.00
Transportation	8,500.00
High School Tuition	7,800.00
Operating Expenses	200.00
Salary and Expenses of Superintendent	1,800.00
New Equipment	175.00
All Others	25.00

Total	\$31,445.00
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools—1959

Budget for 1959	\$31,445.00
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Estimated Receipts:

Chapter 70 as amended—School Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	685.40
All School Transportation	7,674.00
State Ward Tuition	450.00
Vocational School Tuition	300.00
Chapter 71—Handicapped	350.00

Total Estimated Receipts	\$15,139.01
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the support of schools for 1959	\$16,305.99
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Enrollment October 1, 1958

St. Joseph's High School	1
Dalton High School	8
Pittsfield High School	5
South Junior High	3
Vocational School	2

Total High School Enrollment	19
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Elementary School Enrollment

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Mrs. Wilkie					6	4	6	3
Mrs. Kimball	6	3	4	2				

Total Elementary Enrollment	34
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Total School Enrollment	53
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Graduates—1958

Washington Elementary School

Peter Gallant

Janice Gardner

Bonnie Zaleski

School Calendar 1958-59*Days*

September	School begins September 3	20
October	No school October 13, Columbus Day	
	No school October 31, Teachers' Convention	21
November	No school November 11, Veteran's Day	
	No school November 27-28, Thanksgiving	17
December	No school December 22-31, Christmas	15
January	No school, January 1-2, New Year's	20
February	No school February 23-27, Vacation	15
March	No school March 27, Good Friday	21
April	No school April 20-24, Vacation	17
May		21
June	School closes for summer June 12	10

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School Entrance Age:

Pupils must be six years of age as of September 1. One week grace period will be allowed.

Working Certificates:

Any employment, either part time or full time, of minors 14 to 16 years of age, requires authorization by permit.

An educational certificate is required in connection with either the full time or part time employment of minors between 16 and 18 years of age in a factory, workshop, manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, barber shop, or in construction or repair of buildings, a bootblack stand, or establishment, or by an express or transportation company. There are some prohibited employments for minors under 18.

These permits and certificates may be obtained at the School Office.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Washington:

Herewith is submitted my fourteenth annual report as Superintendent of your school.

Instruction, the principal work of the school continues to progress in the Washington school. Unless one has had the opportunity to observe at some length the growth of young people, it is difficult to realize the extent of individual differences. Some children are tall, short, heavy or slight in physical growth. They also differ in mental growth and emotional stability. Sometimes the development is slow, sometimes faster, each has his own speed. It is the opportunity of the school to assist each pupil with the instruction, treatment and consideration which will help the pupil make the most of his capabilities. This is a difficult task and is the aim of our experienced teachers. Instructional supplies and textbooks are furnished as tools for the improvement of this instruction. Conditions of health, safety and comfort in the plant contribute to a better climate for learning. Considerate attention is given each of these factors. Pupils coming to school with physical and emotional readiness to profit by the offerings of the school will receive the greatest of the potential benefit.

Reviewing the year, the following are outstanding. Early in the year the school committee resigned and new members were appointed. The new committee, working with the best of good faith, have carried on in the interest of the school and the Town. The thorough study and the unstinting extent to which the roof structure was strengthened and all of the work completed at the expense of the architect was further evidence of his personal and business integrity. The town's thanks go to Prentice Bradley, architect.

The two items of greatest increase in the 1959 budget are for teachers' salaries and for high school tuition. The tuition is simply the product of the rate by the number of children. Tuition rates are as follows:

	1958	1959
Pittsfield Junior High School	\$312.25	\$429.52
Pittsfield High School	359.38	479.00
Pittsfield Vocational	300.00	300.00
Dalton High School	390.00	420.00

The teachers' salaries were adjusted in September as the State minimum salary was increased to \$3,600. It is anticipated that an additional increase may be needed in September. A visiting teacher's salary is also included in this item.

In conclusion, I should like to express my thanks to the teachers, supervisors, janitor, lunch workers and volunteers who have contributed to the welfare of the Washington pupils. Continuing cooperation of the home and the school is essential for the well being of the children.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL C. SUTOR,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Earl C. Suitor
Superintendent of Schools
Washington, Mass.

Dear Mr. Suitor:

I herewith submit the annual health report for the Washington School.

The vision test was given to all pupils in March. The failures were noted and the parents notified where necessary. The follow-up of failures shows good cooperation from the parents.

Physical examinations of all students were done by Dr. George Breit. The general health of the pupils is good. The major defect is the need of dental care.

State reports for vision, hearing and handicapped children have been completed.

Teacher-nurse conferences have been held at each visit and home visits made when necessary.

We participated in the Diabetic Detection Drive which was observed November 16-22nd. On November 19, there were 31 specimens tested at the school and all were found free of sugar at this time.

The In-service classes sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health which are held in the spring and fall in Pittsfield were attended.

At this time, I take the opportunity to thank you and the school union members for our new audiometer which is necessary for the work in hearing tests.

I also thank the teachers, parents and pupils for their cooperation in our health program.

Respectfully submitted,

IRIS J. MORGAN, R.N.

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:

Levy of 1956 \$ 677.01
 Levy of 1957 1,342.83
 Levy of 1958 1,237.53

3,257.37

Farm Animal Excise:

Levy of 1958

31.87

Tax Titles

237.18

Departmental:

Aid to Dependent Children

557.08

Aid to Highways:

State \$14,475.00
 County 6,000.00

20,475.00

Underestimates 1958:

County Tax
 Overdrawn Appropriation Account:
 Veterans' Benefits

15.01

24.99

\$83,980.38

Overestimate 1958:

State Recreation Areas
 Sale of Real Estate Fund
 Road Machinery Fund

1.57
 1,000.00
 7,759.34

Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus

2,081.05

Overlays Reserved for Abatements:

Levy of 1954 \$112.07
 Levy of 1955 72.03
 Levy of 1956 264.48
 Levy of 1957 487.99
 Levy of 1958 644.83

1,581.40

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer

Excise \$3,257.37

Farm Animal Excise

31.87

Tax Title

237.18

Departmental

557.08

4,083.50

Surplus Revenue

\$29,217.43

\$83,980.38

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:

Inside Debt Limit:

General

\$ 3,000.00

Outside Debt Limit:

General

56,000.00

59,000.00

Serial Loans:

Inside Debt Limit:

Departmental

\$ 3,000.00

Outside Debt Limit:

School Construction

56,000.00

\$59,000.00

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
WASHINGTON
AND
SCHOOL COMMITTEE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31
1959

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For the Year Ending December 31, 1959

Eagle Printing and Binding Company
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1960

TOWN WARRANT

February 13, 1960

Polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and may close at 6 P. M. Business meeting will open at 8 P. M.

Art 1—To bring in and cast their vote by ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Tree Warden, one Tax Collector, one Auditor, all for one year; one Selectman for three years; one School Committee for three years; one assessor for three years and one assessor for two years.

Art 2—To see if the Selectmen shall be an agent for the Town in defense of any suits for and in behalf of the Town and to adjust all claims for damage against the Town and to choose an agent or pass any vote thereon.

Art. 3—To hear and act on the reports of the School Committee and Superintendent and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ~~\$33,000.00~~ or any other sum for the operation of schools or take any action relating thereto.

33,000

Art. 4—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue for the financial year, beginning January 1, 1960 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew a note or notes as may be given for a period less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; also temporary loans under provision 6A Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Art. 5—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for expenses of Tree Warden or take any action relating thereto.

Art. 6—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for Eden Glen Pond.

Art. 7—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,158.40 for Pension Fund and Expense as required by the Berkshire County Retirement Board and ordered by the Berkshire County Commissioners.

Art. 8—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107.17 or any other sum for the control of the Dutch Elm Disease as required by Chapter 132 of the General Laws as amended, Section 14 (Chapter 657 Acts of 1950).

Art. 9—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Gypsy Moth Control as required by the General Laws Chapter 660 (Section II, Acts of 1918).

Art. 10—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account, \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay the final note on the Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor and \$162.50 on interest due on same: also \$1,000.00 on Town's four wheel drive truck and sander body and \$32.50 on interest due on its notes in 1960.

Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$370.70 to pay its portion of the administration and equipment expense of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District.

Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65.00 to pay its member of the Judiciary Committee of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District for 1960 and authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of its Board to be that member.

Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$19.50 from Old Age Assistance Administration and \$13.00 from Aid to Dependent Children to the Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administration Account.

Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 15—To see if the Town will vote to fix the annual salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 Chapter 41, of the General Laws, as amended, all salaries to be effective as of January 1, 1960.

Moderator	\$ 10.00	Chairman Selectmen	\$150.00
Town Clerk	100.00	2nd member Selectmen	50.00
Town Treasurer	150.00	3rd member Selectmen	50.00
Town Tax Collector	150.00	Auditor	25.00
Chairman Assessors	50.00	Tree Warden	25.00
Clerk Assessors	60.00	Chairman School Com.	50.00
Other members	50.00	Clerk School Com.	60.00
		3rd member School Com.	50.00

Art. 16—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the following purposes and pass any vote relating thereto (Selectmen's recommendations.) Maintenance of Highways, Chapter 81, \$795.00; Chapter 90, Pittsfield Road, \$1,000.00; Chapter 90 Maintenance, \$1,500.00; Snow Removal, \$3,000.00; Bridges, \$600.00; Appointed Officers, \$200.00; Miscellaneous, \$1,000.00; Forest Warden, \$100.00; Public Assistance, \$9,900.00; Cemeteries, \$200.00; Insurance on Buildings, \$1,200.00; Civil Defense, \$100.00; Becket Fire Department, \$500.00; Becket Firemen, \$100.00; Veterans' Aid, \$1,700.00; Insurance on Loader and Trucks (Liability and property damage, \$277.00); Board of Health, \$50.00; Workmen's Compensation, \$950.00; Town Officers, \$1,200.00; Officers' Bonds, \$60.00; Discount on Notes, \$500.00; Tax Titles, \$10.00.

Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be used by its Board of Health when needed towards the hospitalization of infants weighing five pounds or less at birth in accordance with Section 3, Chapter 3 of the General Laws as amended, Chapter 601, Acts of 1949.

Art. 18—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for extra janitor service in Auditorium of the Elementary School Building.

Art. 19—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Sons' and Daughters' Reunion.

Art. 20—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sums of \$5,000.00 to pay school note due September 1, 1959, and \$1,224.00 to pay 1960 interest on remaining school notes.

Art. 21—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to be applied in determining the 1960 tax rate.

Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to pay the Town of Becket for use of its Town Dump.

Art. 23—To see if the town of Washington will raise and donate the sum of \$100.00 for Ambulance and Resuscitator service (24) hours a day to the Hinsdale Volunteer Firemen's Association. This service is for residents of the Town of Washington only and covers any trip within a (50) mile radius from the Town of Washington.

Art. 24—To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to petition the Turnpike Authority, on behalf of the whole town, for an exit between Westfield and Lee. This exit will service eastern Berkshire County and western Hampden County.

Art. 25—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.41 on old bills account.

Art. 26—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$377.57 over-draft on Snow Account.

Art. 27—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$179.00 for a new Electric (General Model) 409 adding machine for Assessors.

Art. 28—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 from surplus funds in treasury to paint and repair the Elementary School building.

Art. 29—To choose all other Town Officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot: Field Drivers, Pound Keeper, Fence Viewers, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Bark, Sexton and Constables.

TOWN OFFICERS IN 1960

MODERATOR

Harry C. Shaw

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

C. A. R. Simmons

SELECTMEN

Emil Schulze, Chairman

Term expires 1959

C. A. R. Simmons

Term expires 1960

Harry C. Shaw

Term expires 1961

ASSESSORS

Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Chairman

Term expires 1959

Emil Schulze

Term expires 1960

C. A. R. Simmons, Clerk

Term expires 1961

Phil Bohrer

Term expires 1960

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Fred T. Hansen, Jr.

Term expires 1961

Louise Elliot

Term expires 1960

George L. Davenport

Term expires 1959

TREE WARDEN

Ernest Schulze

AUDITOR AND TAX COLLECTOR

Marguerite E. Schulze

APPOINTEES

FOREST WARDEN

Ernest Schulze

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Joseph N. Blotz

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Ernest F. Schulze

Joseph N. Blotz

FIELD DRIVERS

Emil Schulze

Joseph H. Furlong

C. A. R. Simmons

POUND KEEPER

C. A. R. Simmons

CONSTABLES

Walter Beckwith

Harold Klein

Amos Gallant

C. A. R. Simmons

James S. Brown

Philip Bohrer

Henry E. Rock, Sr.

Andrew Methe

Roy Simmons

Theodore Cameron

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Philip Bohrer

SEXTON

Roy G. Simmons

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER

Philip Bohrer

FENCE VIEWERS

John Campbell, Sr.

Carl H. Peer

Philip Bohrer

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Amos E. Gallant

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Roland Daigle

INSPECTOR OF ELECTRIC WIRING

Norbert Wagner

DOG TAX OFFICER

Theodore Cameron

CHIEF OF POLICE

Joseph H. Furlong

FIRE CHIEF

Joseph H. Furlong

VETERANS' AGENT

Andrew I. Methe

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

1959 APPROPRIATIONS

Town Meeting February 13, 1960

Schools	\$31,445.00
Tree Warden Expense	100.00
Eden Glen Pond	50.00
Berkshire County Retirement for Pension Expense	900.19
Dutch Elm Disease	107.17
Gypsy Moth Control	50.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	375.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare Agent	65.00
Chapter 81	795.00
Chapter 90 Pittsfield Road	499.45
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,500.00
Snow Removal	3,000.00
Bridges	400.00
Appointed Officers	200.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00
Forest Warden	100.00
Public Assistance	9,100.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Insurance on Buildings	650.00
Civil Defense	350.00
Becket Fire Department	500.00
Becket Firemen	100.00
Veterans' Aid	1,700.00
Insurance on Loader and Trucks (Liability and Property damage)	277.00
Board of Health	50.00
Workmen's Compensation	1,200.00
Town Officers	1,200.00
Officers' Bonds	60.00
Discount on Notes	500.00
Tax Titles	10.00
Board of Health (Care of infants)	100.00
Janitor	150.00
Sons and Daughters Reunion	25.00
Hinsdale Fire Dept. (use of ambulance and resuscitator)	100.00

Payment on School	\$5,000.00
Interest on remaining school notes	1,344.00
Becket Dump (use of)	50.00
To Pay for snow removal on Pittsfield Road	288.75
Over-Draft Veterans' Account 1958	24.99
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	\$63,566.15

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Payroll Expenditures

	Federal	Town
January 1 to January 15	\$ 150.15	
January 15 to January 31	401.25	
February 1 to February 15	105.20	
February 15 to February 28	526.50	
March 1 to March 15	81.45	
March 15 to March 31		\$ 476.80
April 1 to April 15		81.45
April 15 to April 30		493.30
May 1 to May 15		81.45
May 15 to May 31		529.05
June 1 to June 15	72.95	
June 15 to June 30	482.65	
July 1 to July 15	72.95	
July 15 to July 31		467.90
August 1 to August 15		72.95
August 15 to August 31		506.23
September 1 to September 15		74.00
September 15 to September 30		394.95
October 1 to October 15		74.00
October 15 to October 31		292.40
November 1 to November 15		74.00
November 15 to November 30		283.50
December 1 to December 15		74.00
December 15 to December 31	119.25	172.55
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	\$2,012.35	\$4,148.53

Total Expended		\$6,160.88
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AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Payroll Expenditures

	Federal	Town
January 1 to January 15	\$ 276.95	
January 15 to January 31		\$ 445.39
February 1 to February 15		312.20
February 15 to February 28		406.24
March 1 to March 15	253.25	
March 15 to March 31		342.88
April 1 to April 15		279.25
April 15 to April 30		401.55
May 1 to May 15		279.25
May 15 to May 31		685.59
June 1 to June 15	303.50	
June 15 to June 30	404.00	
July 1 to July 15	226.85	
July 15 to July 31		415.15
August 1 to August 15		261.85
August 15 to August 31		306.10
September 1 to September 15		211.30
September 15 to September 30	268.40	
October 1 to October 15		155.70
October 15 to October 31	191.85	
November 1 to November 15	152.15	3.55
November 15 to November 30	191.36	
December 1 to December 15	143.03	12.67
December 15 to December 30	3.00	186.25
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	\$2,414.34	\$4,704.92
Total Expended		<hr/> \$7,119.26

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Case No. 8, Groceries	\$ 68.85	
Case No. 4 and 7, City of Pittsfield	227.56	
Case No. 9, City of Lynn	37.66	
	<hr/>	\$334.07

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Appropriation Public Assistance	\$9,100.00	
Transferred from Reserve	87.52	
	<hr/>	\$9,187.52
Spent Town Old Age Assistance	\$4,148.53	
Spent Town Aid Dependent Children	4,704.92	
Spent General Assistance	334.07	
	<hr/>	\$9,187.52
Old Age Assistance, Federal		
Balance brought forward from 1958	\$ 989.14	
Received in 1959	1,956.50	
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Spent in 1959		2,012.35
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Unexpended		\$ 933.29
Aid Dependent Children, Federal		
Balance brought forward from 1958	\$ 191.34	
Received in 1959	2,460.00	
Refund	4.55	
	<hr/>	\$2,655.89
Spent in 1959		2,414.34
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Unexpended		\$ 241.55

VETERANS' AID

Town Meeting Appropriation		\$1,700.00
Special Town Meeting, October 22		350.00
Transferred from Reserve		2.22
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		\$2,052.22
Case 1, McKesson & Robbins, Medicine	\$1,290.56	
Case 4, Food	20.00	
Case 3, Blue Cross & Blue Shield	76.10	
Case 4, Hospital	560.56	
Case 1, Therapy	105.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,052.22

CHAPTER 81

State Appropriation	\$14,575.00
Town Appropriation	795.00
Transferred from Reserve	.61

Total Available	\$15,370.61
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Labor:

A. Gallant, Supt.	\$1,660.75
Roy Simmons, operator	1,025.50
Edward Gallant, operator	1,627.50
Emil Schulze, labor	1,311.00
John Gardner, labor	1,170.00
Richard Galliher, operator	7.00
Fred Strout, operator	7.00
Ira Markham, hone and operator	38.75

Total	\$6,847.50
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Trucks:

D. Gillett, 4-yd. truck	\$237.50
C. Goodell, 5-yd. truck	192.00
J. Gillett, 5-yd. truck	180.00
J. Furlong, 5-yd. truck	144.00
F. Munn, 4-yd. truck	19.00
J. DeAngelus, 4-yd. truck	38.00

Total	810.50
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J. Quirico, dozer	234.00
Town of Becket, grader and spreader	6.00

Equipment:

Town of Washington, loader	\$903.25
Town of Washington, dump truck	825.00
Town of Washington, sand truck	9.00

Total	737.25
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N. Radwich, power mower	402.00
A. Gallant, pick-up	561.00

CHAPTER 81 SNOW REMOVAL

Labor:

A. Gallant, Supt.	\$673.75
Roy Simmons, operator	666.75
Edward Gallant, operator	651.00
Emil Schulze, labor	384.00
Edward Murray, operator	13.20

Total	2,388.70
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A. Gallant, pick-up	231.00
Town of Becket, grader	24.00

Equipment:

Town of Washington, loader	\$152.00
Town of Washington, dump truck	537.00
Town of Washington, sand truck	526.50

Total	1,215.50
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CHAPTER 81 MATERIAL

Gravel:

Annay Collalto, 765 yds. gravel	\$76.50
Leona Fassell, 850 yds. gravel	85.00

Total	\$ 161.50
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A. Leo Nash, 1-18"ACCMX20' Culvert	108.34
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Steamix:

Lane Const. Co., 78100 Steamix	\$261.65
16100 Steamix	53.94
6000 Steamix	20.10

Total	335.69
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American Tar MC 3 1,355 gal., tar	246.99
General Sand & Stone, 1/2 22-55 stone	38.34

Miscellaneous:

Becket General Store, 3 scythe	\$11.70
Becket General Store, 2 gal. paint	10.60

Total	22.30
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Total Expended	\$15,370.61
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SNOW REMOVAL ACCOUNT

Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting	\$3,000.00
Appropriated at Special Town Meeting, March 27	1,500.00
Appropriated at Special Town Meeting, December 15	300.00
Transferred from Reserve Account	313.00

Total Available	\$5,490.57
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Labor:

A. Gallant, Supt.	\$392.00
Roy Simmons, operator	334.25
Edward Gallant, operator	371.00
Alfred Deane, operator	12.25
Joseph Furlong, operator	5.25
Emil Schulze, labor	225.00
John Gardner, labor	52.50

Total	\$1,392.25
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A. Gallant, pick-up truck	125.40
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Rent of Trucks:

John DeAngelus, 4-yd. truck	\$ 57.00
Joseph Gillett, 5-yd. truck	144.00
Claude Goodell, 5-yd. truck	48.00

Total	249.00
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Equipment:

Town of Washington, loader	\$132.00
Town of Washington, sand truck	657.00
Town of Washington, dump truck	252.00

Total	1,041.00
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James Quirico, rent of dozer	35.00
Chemical Corp., 216.61 T salt	1,552.62

Sand:

General Sand & Stone, 176.45 T sand	\$176.45
Art Rolland, 514 yds. sand	378.00
James Quirico, 102 yds. sand	102.00
Berkshire Gravel, 430 T sand	430.15

Total	1,086.60
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L. P. Adams, 3 bags chloride	8.70
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Total Expended	\$5,490.57
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BRIDGE ACCOUNT

Appropriated Town Meeting	\$400.00
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Unexpended	7.00
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	\$393.00
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Labor:

Amos Gallant, Supt.	\$35.00
Roy Simmons, operator	35.00
Edward Gallant, operator	35.00
Emil Schulze, labor	30.00
John Gardner, labor	30.00

Total	\$165.00
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Amos Gallant, pickup	12.00
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Town of Washington, dump truck	36.00
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Material:

Kelly Lumber Co., 1200 ft. 16-ft. plank	180.00
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Total Expended	\$393.00
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CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

State Appropriation	\$ 8,000.00
County	4,000.00
Town	499.45
Town Transfer, Chapter 718 of the Acts 1950	1,500.55

 \$14,000.00

Transferred from Reserve	.64
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 Total Available \$14,000.64

Expenditures

Labor:

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$1,022.00
Roy Simmons, operator	654.50
Edward Gallant, operator	966.00
Edward Murray, operator	318.50
Richard Galliher, operator	28.00
W. Fuller, operator	14.00
W. Murray, operator	14.00
Emil Schulze, labor	729.00
John Gardner, labor	735.00

 Total \$4,481.00

Trucks:

C. Goodell, 5-yd. truck	\$228.00
J. Gillett, 5-yd. truck	696.00
D. Gillett, 4-yd. truck	654.00
J. DeAngelus, 4-yd. truck	584.25
Edward Murray, 5-yd. truck	494.00
F. Munn, 4-yd. truck	475.00
F. Connor	380.00

 Total 3,511.25

Amos Gallant, pickup truck	355.20
C. A. R. Simmons, rent of cement mixer	12.00
J. Furlong, backhoe	60.00

Equipment:

Town of Becket, grader	\$608.00
Town of Becket, grader	30.00

Total	638.00
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Town Equipment:

Town of Washington, loader	\$819.00
Town of Washington, D truck	705.00

Total	1,524.00
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R. Bliven, compressor and explosive—blasting	31.30
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Stone, Gravel, Sand:

General Sand & Stone, 150.60 T $\frac{3}{8}$ stone	\$442.43
Annay Collato, 3000-yds. gravel	300.00
L. Fassell, 2000-yds. gravel	200.00

Total	942.43
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Tar and Steamix:

Lane Construction Co., 967.00 lbs. Steamix	\$ 323.95
American Tar Co., 6,521 G tar	1,188.65

Total	1,512.60
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Worthmore Co., chloride	115.50
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Material:

New England Culvert, 24 Wd posts	\$ 95.02
3-18x44, 6-18x44, 2-12x44, 4-12-in. couplings	655.01
Johns Supply, 180C blocks	37.93
L. P. Adams, 1-ton cement	29.40

Total	817.36
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Total Expended	\$14,000.64
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CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

State Appropriation	\$1,500.00
County	1,500.00
Town	1,500.00
Transferred from Reserve	.43

Total Available	\$4,500.43
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Labor

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$134.75
Roy Simmons, operator	126.00
Edward Gallant, operator	126.00
Roy Galliher, operator	35.00
Frank Strout, operator	21.00
H. Lampro, operator	14.00
Ira Markham, operator and hone	155.00
Emil Schulze, labor	132.00
J. Gardner, labor	91.50

Total	\$835.25
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Trucks:

J. Furlong, 5-yd. truck	\$132.00
D. Gillett, 4-yd. truck	99.75
J. Gillett, 5-yd. truck	150.00
C. Goodell, 5-yd. truck	132.00
F. Munn, 4-yd. truck	95.00

Total	608.75
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Amos Gallant, pickup truck	65.40
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Town of Becket, spreader	36.00
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Town Equipment:

Town of Washington, loader	\$82.00
Town of Washington, dump truck	48.00
Town of Washington, sand truck	27.00

Total	157.00
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Material:

General Sand & Stone, 18.40 sand, 71.70½	
stone, 71.10⅔ stone	\$ 868.28
Lane Construction, 24,000-15,700 lbs.,	
32,000 Steamix	240.21
American Tar, 7.574 i.695 G tar	1,689.54

Total	\$2,798.03
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Total Expended	\$4,500.43
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MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Annual Town Meeting, Transferred from Machinery Fund	\$5,000.00
Special Town Meeting, June 20	4,100.00
Special Town Meeting, December 15	350.00

Total Available	\$9,450.00
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Parts and Labor:

Central Garage, sand truck	\$ 69.50
Central Garage, dump truck	314.27
Van's Equipment, sand truck	171.40
Messenger's Garage, dump truck	36.48
Stapleton, Inc., sand truck	31.68
J. Gillett & Sons, sand truck	39.85
J. Gillett & Sons, dump truck	67.20
J. Gillett & Sons, Hough loader	66.46
Edward Skook, Jr., dump truck	3.45
Edward Skook, Jr., sand truck	2.00
Detroit Auto Supply, sand truck	12.27
Adams Auto Parts, dump truck	58.00
Jack Mulcare Motor Supply, parts sand truck	2.80
Amos Gallant, battery, sand truck	14.95
Sears Roebuck & Co., battery, dump truck	19.95
William Engwer, labor, chain saw	2.00
Eastern Sales Corp., parts, Hough loader	138.60
Pittsfield Retread, tire, repairs, Hough loader	115.33
Graves Equipment, parts Hough loader	18.22
Hudson Steel Co., snow plow blades, material	146.35
A. Leo Nash, steel for V plow, material	40.26

Tyler Equipment, parts Michigan loader	\$ 18.03
James Quirico, V plow, new equipment	400.00
Federal Tool & Steel, plow blades, material	521.26
Becket General Store, thermos jug, paints, material	44.97
Pittsfield Welding, welding tanks, rental, supplies	27.37
Levernoch Bros., fuel, grease, supplies	703.19
Socony Co., fuel and supplies	24.99
New England Tel. & Tel., telephone service	65.10
West. Mass. Electric, lights and power	14.76
Merchants Natl. Bank, note and interest on Hough loader	1,041.25
Merchants Natl. Bank, note and interest on sand truck	1,032.50
Tyler Equip., payment on Michigan loader	4,099.00
Clayton Pierce, number plates, registration, and miscellaneous	10.00

Total Expended

\$9,373.44

RECAPITULATION

Repairs and labor on sand truck	\$ 344.45
Repairs and labor on dump truck	499.35
Repairs and labor on Hough loader	338.61
Repairs and labor on Michigan shovel	18.03
Repairs and labor on chain saw	2.00
Material	752.84
New Equipment	400.00
Welding supplies	27.37
Fuel and grease	728.18
Telephone	65.10
Electric lights and power	14.76
Notes and interest	6,172.75
Miscellaneous	10.00

Total Expended

\$9,373.44

Unexpended

76.56

\$9,450.00

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT

Appropriation Town Meeting	\$1,000.00
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Supplies:

William H. Shandoff	
Adding machine ribbon	\$ 1.25
Assessors' record book	2.10
Town Clerk record book	10.25

Eagle Printing and Binding Co.

Caucus ballots 1958	20.75
125 Town Reports	303.60
130 ballots Town Meeting	23.75
Binding Assessors' books	86.50
Caucus ballots 1959	20.75
Envelopes	1.25
Stoneham & Co.	
Assessors' auto tables	4.00

Hobbs & Warren

Assessors' supplies	18.80
Collector's supplies	36.10
Selectmen's license	1.50
Selectmen's warrants	15.00

Pittsfield National Bank, check books	13.45
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Dorothy Bartsch. Collector's envelopes	24.60
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W. S. Darley, police warning light	43.97
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Barrett Gazette, Collector's supplies	11.56
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Total	\$639.18
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Hermon Dine, certifying note	2.00
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Town Officers' Dues

Mass. Selectmen's, dues	10.00
Mass. Collector's, dues	4.00
Mass. Town Clerks', dues	7.50
Association of Mass. Assessors', dues	9.00
Berk. County Selectmen's, dues	6.00
Mass. Veterans', dues	15.00

Total	51.50
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Berkshire Evening Eagle, ad	4.41
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H. Goggins, copies of deeds, Assessors' Cy deeds	12.00
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Town Officers' Expenses

Marguerite Schulze, postage	\$ 3.48	
Marguerite Schulze, mileage	4.20	
Marguerite Schulze, telephone	.85	
C. A. R. Simmons, Treasurer, mileage	50.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Treasurer, telephone	1.41	
C. A. R. Simmons, Treasurer, postage	5.69	
Town Clerk recording births, deaths and marriages	12.00	
Town Clerk, mileage	4.00	
Assessors' mileage	4.00	
8 films	15.12	
Selectmen, mileage	3.36	
Registration	2.00	
H. C. Shaw, Selectman		
Mileage	19.75	
Registrations	7.00	
Taxi	2.35	
Meals	8.03	
Room	10.00	
Telephone	1.05	
A. Methe, Veterans' Agent, mileage and postage	12.75	
Emil Schulze		
Selectman's expense	15.00	
Assessor's expense	15.00	
Repair to Eden Glen Dam	7.50	
Fred Hansen, Jr.		
School Committee expenses	5.40	
Assessor's expenses	7.20	
Philip Bohrer, 3 films, Assessors	5.67	
Total		222.81
Total Expended		\$931.90
Unexpended		68.10
		<hr/> \$1,000.00

EDEN GLEN POND

Appropriated	\$ 50.00
Transferred from Reserve	57.64

Total Available	\$107.64
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Labor:

Emil Schulze, labor	\$12.00
John Gardner, labor	31.50
Fred Connor, operator	14.00

Total	\$57.50
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Fred Connor, truck	9.00
Town of Becket, dozer	30.00
Carr Hardware, rope, material	11.14

Total Expended	\$107.64
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TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriated	\$1,200.00
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Harold Klein, Ballot Clerk	\$ 3.00
Elizabeth Gallant, Ballot Clerk	3.00
Florence Simmons, Ballot Clerk	3.00
Marguerite Schulze, Collector of Taxes	150.00
Marguerite Schulze, Auditor	25.00
C. A. R. Simmons, Town Clerk	100.00
C. A. R. Simmons, Town Treasurer	150.00
C. A. R. Simmons, Selectman	50.00
C. A. R. Simmons, Assessor	60.00
Harry C. Shaw, Selectman	50.00
Harry C. Shaw, Moderator	10.00
Emil Schulze, Selectman	150.00
Emil Schulze, Assessor	50.00
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., School Committee	50.00

Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Assessor	\$50.00	
Louise Elliot, School Committee	60.00	
George L. Davenport, School Committee	50.00	
Philip Bohrer, Assessor	50.00	
Ernest Schulze, Tree Warden	25.00	
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Total Expended		\$1,089.00
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Unexpended		\$ 111.00

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Appropriated		\$200.00
Joseph Blotz, Animal Inspector	\$ 35.00	
Joseph Blotz, Inspector Slaughtering	20.00	
Joseph Furlong, Chief of Police	100.00	
Theodore Cameron, Dog Officer	10.00	
Roland Daigle, Sealer Weights and Meas.	10.00	
Ernest Schulze, Inspector Slaughtering	4.50	
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Total Expended		\$179.50
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Unexpended		\$20.50

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation		\$350.00
Western Mass. Electric Co., Town Hall lights	\$ 1.00	
Pittsfield Radio Store, batteries	15.93	
Frissell's Market, refreshments for meeting	6.26	
Welch Electronics, C.D. communicator	275.00	
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Total Expended		\$298.19
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Unexpended		\$ 51.81

EXTRA JANITOR SERVICE

Appropriated		\$150.00
Roy Simmons	\$57.00	
Andrew Methe	6.00	
Charlie Lane	18.00	

Total Expended		\$81.00
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Unexpended		\$69.00
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CEMETERIES

Appropriated		\$200.00
Roy Simmons, labor		\$200.00

FOREST WARDEN

Appropriated		\$100.00
Ernest Schulze, permits, patrol fire, storage		9.36

Unexpended		\$90.64
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TREE WARDEN

Appropriated		\$100.00
Ernest Schulze, labor	\$18.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, saw and labor	3.00	
Roy Simmons, labor	1.50	

Total		\$22.50
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Unexpended		\$77.50
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GYPSY MOTH CONTROL

Appropriated		\$50.00
Transferred from Reserve		29.50

Total Available		\$79.50
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Ernest Schulze	\$55.50	
George Burnham	24.00	

Total Expended		\$79.50
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DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Appropriated		\$107.17
Lawrence Burnham, labor	\$25.50	
C. A. R. Simmons, labor	22.50	
Ernest Schulze, labor	13.12	
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Total Expended		61.12
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Unexpended		\$46.05

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriated		\$1,200.00
E. H. Pierce Co.		864.96
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Unexpended		\$335.04

INSURANCE ON BUILDINGS

Appropriated		\$650.00
Insurance on buildings	\$133.78	
Insurance on scales	16.98	
Insurance on pupils	10.00	
Insurance on garage	53.73	
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Total Expended		\$214.49
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Unexpended		\$435.51

INSURANCE PROPERTY DAMAGE, PUBLIC LIABILITY
ON TRUCKS AND LOADER

Appropriated		\$277.00
E. H. Pierce Co.		\$277.00

TOWN OF BECKET FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	\$500.00
Town of Becket	\$500.00

TOWN OF BECKET DUMP

Appropriated	\$50.00
Use of Dump	\$50.00

HINSDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated for ambulance (donation)	\$100.00
Hinsdale Fire Department ambulance service	\$100.00

BECKET FIREMEN

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

OFFICERS' BONDS

Appropriated		\$60.00
Mass. Bond. and Ins. Co., Tax Collector	\$14.40	
Reynolds, Barnes and Hebb, Agency, Town Clerk and Treasurer	20.80	
Colt Ins. Agency, Deputy Collector	10.00	
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Expended		\$45.20
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Unexpended		\$14.80

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF WASHINGTON

Appropriated	\$25.00
Marguerite Schulze, Treasurer, S&D	\$25.00

OLD BILLS

Appropriated	\$288.35
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$288.35

DISCOUNT ON NOTES

Appropriated	\$500.00
Merchants National Bank of Boston	431.30
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Unexpended	\$68.70

REFUND OVER PAYMENT

Marguerite Schulze, Tax Collector	\$4.35
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EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE AGENT

Appropriated	\$65.00
Harry C. Shaw	\$65.00

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriated	\$375.00
Transferred from O.A.A. Administration	17.49
Transferred from A.D.C. Administration	15.02
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Total Available	\$407.51
Virginia Palmer, Treasurer	\$407.51

REPAIRS TO SCHOOL

Appropriated	\$1,500.00
C. R. Chapel & Co.	259.76
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Unexpended (held over to be used in 1960)	\$1,240.24

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriated	\$50.00
Unexpended	\$50.00

CARE OF INFANTS (Board of Health)

Appropriated	\$100.00
Unexpended	\$100.00

TAX TITLES

Appropriated	\$10.00
Unexpended	\$10.00

BERKSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT BOARD

Appropriated	\$900.19
John Shields, Treasurer	\$900.19

PAYMENT ON SCHOOL AND INTEREST

Appropriated	\$5,000.00
Payment	\$5,000.00
Interest	
Appropriated	\$1,344.00
Payment	\$1,344.00

RESERVE

Appropriated	\$500.00
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Transferred to:

Gypsy Moth	\$ 29.50
Eden Glen Pond	38.14
Chapter 90 Maintenance	.43
Eden Glen Pond	19.50
Chapter 90 Construction	.64
General Assistance	87.52
Chapter 81	.61
Snow Removal	313.00
Veterans' Aid	2.22

Total Expended	491.56
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Unexpended	\$ 8.44
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TOWN EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

	<i>Earnings</i>	<i>Repairs</i>	<i>Net Earnings</i>
Dump truck	\$2,403.00	\$ 499.35	\$1,903.65
Sand truck	1,219.50	344.45	875.05
Loader	2,584.25	356.64	2,227.61
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Fuel and Oil	\$6,206.75	\$1,200.44	\$5,006.31
			728.18
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Total Earnings			\$4,278.13

RECAPITULATION

Old Age Assistance	
Federal	\$ 2,012.35
Town	4,148.53
Aid to Dependent Children	
Federal	2,414.34
Town	4,704.92
General Relief	334.07
Veterans' Aid	2,052.22
Chapter 81	10,598.25
Chapter 81 Snow	3,859.20
Chapter 81 Material	913.16
Snow Removal	5,490.57
Bridges	393.00
Chapter 90 Construction	14,000.64
Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,500.43
Machinery	9,373.44
Miscellaneous	931.90
Eden Glen Pond	107.64

Town Officers	\$1,089.00	
Appointed Officers	179.50	
Civil Defense	298.19	
Janitor Service	81.00	
Cemeteries	200.00	
Forest Warden	9.36	
Tree Warden	22.50	
Gypsy Moth Control	79.50	
Discount on Notes	431.30	
Refund, Tax Collector on overpayment	4.35	
Eastern Berkshire Welfare Agent	65.00	
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	407.51	
Repairs to School	259.76	
Berkshire County Retirement Board	900.19	
Dutch Elm Disease	61.12	
Workmen's Compensation	864.96	
Insurance on Buildings	214.49	
Property damage on trucks and loader	277.00	
Becket Fire Department	500.00	
Town of Becket, use of dump	50.00	
Hinsdale Fire Department, use of Ambulance	100.00	
Officers' Bonds	45.20	
Sons' and Daughters' Reunion	25.00	
Old Bills	288.35	
Schools	31,370.18	
	<hr/>	\$103,658.12

TREASURY ORDERS

Collector of Internal Revenue	\$ 3,085.50	
Excise tax refunds	83.03	
Berkshire County Retirement	823.06	
Division of Fisheries and Game	124.50	
School Lunch	1,219.92	
Highway loan	36,575.00	
County tax	1,163.84	
Tyler Equipment	5,000.00	
State Withholding tax	105.30	
Dog License	140.75	
Wild cat bounty	10.00	
State Parks	133.24	
State Audit	117.54	
Berkshire County Mosquito Control	79.00	
School notes	5,000.00	
Interest on school notes	1,344.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 55,004.68
Total Expended		<hr/> \$158,662.80

Respectfully submitted,

EMIL SCHULZE, *Chairman*

HARRY C. SHAW

C. A. R. SIMMONS

Board of Selectmen

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1959		\$55,503.52
1954 Real Estate	\$ 96.67	
Interest	11.66	
1955 Real Estate	34.43	
Interest	4.47	
1955 Personal	20.00	
Interest	2.68	
1956 Real Estate	160.71	
Interest	18.17	
1956 Excise	118.60	
Interest	7.82	
1957 Real Estate	463.12	
Interest	30.36	
1957 Personal	11.40	
Interest	.80	
1957 Excise	154.18	
Interest	19.23	
1957 Poll	2.00	
Interest	.15	
1958 Real Estate	1,948.97	
Interest	66.89	
1958 Personal	102.60	
Interest	3.59	
1958 Excise	914.17	
Interest	39.47	
1958 Poll	12.00	
Interest	.48	
1959 Real Estate	14,362.63	
Interest	6.67	
1959 Personal	2,273.66	
Interest	1.08	
1959 Excise	2,325.04	
Interest	4.71	
1959 Poll	120.00	
Interest	.71	
1959 Farm Excise	20.98	
Interest	.07	
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		\$23,360.17

Selectmen's Licenses	\$ 645.00
Loader and Truck earnings:	
Town of Washington	5,710.75
Town of Becket	238.00
Town of Hinsdale	138.00
James S. Brown	15.00
George N. Burnham	5.00
Joseph H. Furlong	12.00
Alexander G. Jarvie	10.00
Levernoch Bros.	78.00
Withholding Tax Deductions	3,085.50
Berkshire County Retirement Deductions	823.06
State Tax Deductions	152.51
Sporting License	124.50
Dog License	140.75
Berkshire County Dog License Refund	110.01
School Lunch Program	802.60
School Lunch Program (State)	377.61
Old Age Assistance, State	3,527.53
Old Age Assistance, Federal	1,956.50
Old Age Assistance, other Towns	27.22
Old Age Assistance, refund	67.03
Old Age Assistance, Administration	19.50
Old Age Assistance, Meal Tax	71.88
Aid Dependent Children, State	2,379.03
Aid Dependent Children, Federal	2,460.00
Aid Dependent Children, Administration	13.00
Aid Dependent Children, refunds	29.55
Workmen's Compensation refund	151.98
Comm'd Veterans' Service	604.18
Chapter 81, 1958 Contract	1,475.00
Chapter 81, 1959 Contract	11,200.00
Chapter 90 Construction, County, 1958 Con.	6,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction, State, 1958 Con.	13,000.00
Bond Issue of 1956	1,500.55
State Reimbursement on School	2,504.27
Loss of Taxes	11,171.45
Income Tax	5,133.73
Income Tax (Retarded Children)	55.00
School Aid Chapter 70	1,524.61

Transportation of Pupils	\$8,029.84	
Tuition and Transportation, Child Guardianship	337.77	
Tuition	337.77	
Vocational Education	430.00	
Corporation tax	824.81	
City of Pittsfield, in lieu of taxes	3,885.00	
Merchant's National Bank, Highway loan	29,143.70	
Discount on note deduction	431.30	
Merchant's National Bank, loan on loader	5,000.00	
Interest on loan	5.42	
District Court	50.00	
Liberty Mutual, refund on Case No. 3	270.50	
Wild cat bounty	10.00	
Use of Auditorium	2.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	2.00	
Division of Livestock Disease Control	17.50	
Interest on savings	47.87	
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		\$126,165.78
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		\$205,029.47

EXPENDITURES

Selectmen's Orders	\$78,627.59	
Schools	31,370.18	
Collector of Internal Revenue	3,085.50	
Berkshire County Retirement Board	823.06	
State Withholding tax	105.30	
Division of Fisheries and Game	124.50	
Dog Licenses	140.75	
State Audit	117.54	
Parks	133.24	
Berkshire County Mosquito Control	79.00	
Tax Refunds	83.03	
Merchant's National Bank, Highway Loan	36,575.00	
Tyler Equipment	5,000.00	
School Lunch Program	1,219.92	
Refund to Tax Collector	4.35	
Wild cat bounty	10.00	
County tax	1,163.84	
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		\$158,662.80

PITTSFIELD NATIONAL BANK

Balance as per statement Dec. 31, 1959		\$52,690.73
Balance as per Check Book, Dec. 31, 1959	\$43,942.53	
Outstanding checks, as per list	8,748.20	
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Pittsfield National Bank checking account	\$43,942.53	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1959	914.65	
Berkshire County Savings Bank	1,509.49	
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Respectfully submitted,

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,

Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Dog Licenses

Males, 38 at \$2.00	\$76.00	
Females, 6 at \$5.00	30.00	
Spayed females, 15 at \$2.00	30.00	
Kennel, 2 at \$10.00	20.00	
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		\$156.00
Fees retained		15.25
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Paid Treasurer		\$140.75

Sporting Licenses

Resident Citizen		
Fishing	14 at \$3.25	\$45.50
Hunting	6 at 3.25	19.50
Sporting	6 at 5.25	31.50
Minor Fishing	1 at 1.25	1.25
Female Fishing	4 at 2.25	9.00
Non-Resident		
Fishing, special	1 at 2.75	2.75
Fishing	1 at 7.75	7.75
Hunting	1 at 15.25	15.25
Duplicate	1 at .50	.50
Resident Citizen, free	2	
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		\$133.00
Fees retained		8.50
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Paid Treasurer		\$124.50

Births

1959

April	3	Shawn James Cameron, son, Theodore E. Cameron and Winifred Mae Sayers Cameron
July	17	Marie Anne Rock, daughter, Henry E. Rock, Jr. and Janet Louise Bellanger Rock.
July	24	Thomas Gerard Methe, son, Andrew I. Methe and Mary Jane Rock Methe
Sept.	3	Michael Francis Donovan, son, Vincent Paul Donovan and Andree Bonin Donovan.

Deaths

1959

Mar.	1	Elizabeth Mary (Cherry) Gallant, age 64
April	27	Lawrence Henry Norton, age 83
April	30	Joseph E. LeClair, age 82
July	12	Mary Iona (Baker) Lockwood, age 73
Aug.	17	Ivy Strickland Waters, age 79
Oct.	25	Emma (Prout) Boyle, age 88
Oct.	26	Grace (Pruyne) Tilton, age 83
Dec.	13	Mary Etta Mickle, age 93

Marriages

1959

Feb.	14	Adelard Bordeau of Pittsfield and Lucy A. Blotz of Washington.
April	4	Gerald Francis Kelley of Pittsfield and Jane Ruth Beckwith of Washington.
May	30	Herbert Gordon Case of West Springfield and Rachel (Johnson) Curtis of Holyoke.
Aug.	8	Bruce Gillett of Washington and Betty Jane Engwer of Becket.
Sept.	4	Richard Charles Gillett of Washington and Mary Parreault of Pittsfield.
Sept.	26	John R. Newberry of Becket and Sandra Mary Madigan of Washington.
Oct.	10	Thomas Engwer of Becket and Nancy Burnham of Washington.
Nov.	28	Clinton Amos Wood of Washington and Dolores Ann Pizuto of Pittsfield.

Respectfully submitted,

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS,

Town Clerk

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

1959 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriations to be raised by taxation \$63,566.15

Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds:

In 1959 \$10,033.06

In 1958 since 1958 rate was fixed 3,500.00

13,533.06

\$77,099.21

State: Tax and Assessments

1959

1958

State Parks and Reservations \$ 146.26

State Audit of Municipal Accounts 117.54

Mosquito Control 79.00

\$342.80

\$342.80

County: Tax and Assessments:

County Tax

\$1,324.44

\$15.01

1,339.45

Overlay of current year

966.47

Gross amount to be raised

\$79,747.93

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:

Income Tax \$ 6,255.40

Corporation Taxes 674.81

Reimbursement on account of publicly owned Land 11,171.45

Old Age Tax (Meals) 158.25

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise 3,500.00

Licenses 500.00

Fines 100.00

Protection of Persons and Property 20.00

Charities (other than federal grants) 1,500.00

Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants) 2,555.00

Veterans' Services 200.00

School (funds from Income Tax not to be included) 7,200.00

Interest on Taxes and Assessments 200.00

State Assistance for School Construction—

Chapter 645, Acts of 1948 2,500.00

Farm Animal Excise 25.00

Chapter 375 Acts of 1954, City of Pittsfield 3,885.00

Total Estimated Receipts

\$40,444.91

Overestimates:

State Parks and Reservations	\$1.57
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Amounts voted to be taken from Available Funds

August 21, 1958—Available Funds	\$3,500.00
February 14, 1959—Available Funds	8,533.06
February 14, 1959—Free Cash	2,500.00
March 27, 1959—Available Funds	1,500.00
March 27, 1959—Free Cash	2,500.00
	----- \$18,533.06

Total Available Funds	\$18,534.63
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Total estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$58,979.54
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Net amount to be raised by taxation on polls and property	\$20,768.39
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Number of Polls, 79	Tax	\$ 158.00
Personal Value \$ 44,077.00	Tax	\$ 2,776.85
Real Estate Value 283,072.00	Tax (\$63.00)	17,833.54

Total	\$327,149.00
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Total taxes levied on polls and property	\$20,768.39
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1959 TABLE OF AGGREGATES

<i>Number of Persons Assessed</i>	<i>Individuals</i>	<i>All Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
On Personal Estate only	3	7	10
On Real Estate only	100	72	172
On both Personal and Real Estate	34	2	36

Total number of persons assessed	141
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Total number of polls assessed	79
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Value of assessed personal estate

Stock in trade	\$19,350.00
Machinery	17,755.00
Live Stock	1,287.00
All other tangible personal property	5,685.00

Total Value of assessed personal estate	\$44,077.00
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Value of assessed real estate

Land exclusive of buildings	\$ 73,619.00
Buildings exclusive of land	209,753.00

Total value of assessed real estate	\$283,372.00
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Total valuation of assessed estate	\$327,449.00
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Tax Rate per \$1,000.00—\$63.00

Taxes, including overlay

On personal estate	\$ 2,776.85
On real estate	17,852.44
On polls	128.00

Total taxes assessed	\$20,787.29
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Number of live stock assessed

Horses	5
Neat Cattle: Cows (Milch)	45
Bulls—3 Steers—3 Heifers—14	20
Sheep	37
Fowl	105
All other	10

Number of acres of land assessed	8,644
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Number of dwelling houses assessed	107
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FRED T. HANSEN, JR.

PHILIP BOHRER

EMIL SCHULZE

C. A. R. SIMMONS

Assessors of Washington

1959 TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1954 TAXES

Outstanding in 1958		Paid Treasurer in 1959	
Town Report Real			
Estate taxes	\$96.67	Real Estate taxes	\$96.67
Outstanding Per. taxes	15.40	Uncollected Per. taxes	15.40

1954 interest collected in 1959—\$11.66

1955 TAXES REAL AND PERSONAL

Outstanding real estate			
Taxes in 1958 Town Rep.	\$34.43	Paid Treasurer	\$34.43
Outstanding Per. taxes	37.60	Paid Treasurer	20.00
		Uncollected Per.	17.60
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	\$72.03		\$72.03

Interest collected in 1959—\$7.15

1956 REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL TAXES

Outst. Real Estate taxes		Paid Treasurer	\$160.71
in 1958 Town Report	\$199.50	Uncollected Real Est.	38.79
Outstanding Personal	64.98	Uncollected Personal	64.98

1956 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Outstanding Excise		Paid Treasurer	\$118.60
in 1958	\$677.01	Abated	66.71
		Uncollected	491.70

Interest collected—\$25.99

1957 REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL, POLL, AND FARM EXCISE In 1957 Pd. Treas.,

Real Estate	\$12,362.40	Real Estate Warrant	\$15,277.82
Abated	214.00	Personal Tax Warrant	2,344.18
Pd. Treas. '58 Real Est.	2,002.00	Poll Tax Warrant	132.00
Taken by Tax Title	29.64	Farm Excise	19.51
Paid Treas. in 1959	463.12		
Uncollected Real Est.	206.63		
Pd. Treas. Personal			
taxes in 1957	2,085.11		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
Personal taxes	190.67		
Pd. Treas. in 1959			
Personal taxes	11.40		
Uncollected	57.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1957			
Poll taxes	100.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
Poll taxes	24.00		
Abated	2.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1959			
Poll taxes	2.00		
Uncollected	4.00		
Collected Farm excise	19.51		

\$17,773.51

\$17,773.51

1957 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Pd. Treas. in 1957	\$1,320.49	Warrants	\$3,987.76
Abatements	27.84		
Abatements in 1958	194.97		
Pd. Treas. in 1958	1,101.63		
Abated in 1959	11.42		
Pd. Treas. in 1959	154.18		
Uncollected	1,177.23		

\$3,987.76

\$3,987.76

1957 interest paid Treasurer—\$50.54

1958 REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL, POLL, FARM EXCISE

Collected and Pd. Treas		Real Estate Warrant	\$15,603.24
in 1958	\$13,112.95	Personal Tax	2,451.80
Abated Real Est. taxes	184.61	Farm Excise	50.15
Paid Treas. in 1959	1,948.97	Poll tax	130.00
Certified to Tax Title	29.64		
Uncollected	327.09		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
Personal taxes	2,084.15		
Abated Personal tax	5.70		
Pd. Treas. in 1959			
Personal tax	102.60		
Uncollected	259.35		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
Farm excise	18.28		
Uncollected	31.87		
Collected in 1958			
Poll taxes	112.00		
Pd. Treas. '59 Poll taxes	12.00		
Uncollected	6.00		
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	\$18,235.21		\$18,235.19

1958 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Pd. Treas. in 1958	\$1,936.40	Warrants	\$3,268.89
Collected and refunded	77.89		
Abated	17.07		
Pd. Treas. in 1959	914.17		
Abated in 1959	28.89		
Uncollected	294.47		
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	\$3,268.89		\$3,268.89

1958 interest collected in 1959 and paid Treasurer—\$110.43

1959 REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL, POLL and FARM EXCISE

Pd. Treas. real estate		Real Estate Warrant	\$17,852.44
taxes	\$14,362.63	Personal Warrant	2,776.85
Abated	151.17	Farm Excise	29.73
Certified to Tax Title	32.76	Poll Tax	160.00
Uncollected	3,305.88		
Pd. Treas. per. taxes	2,273.66		
Uncollected	503.19		
Pd. Treas. farm excise	20.98		
Uncollected	8.75		
Pd. Treas. poll taxes	120.00		
Abated	16.00		
Uncollected	24.00		
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	\$20,819.02		\$20,819.02

1959 MOTOR EXCISE TAXES

Collected and Pd.		Warrants	\$3,896.95
Treas	\$2,273.65		
Collected and refunded	51.39		
Abated	132.55		
Uncollected	1,439.36		
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	\$3,896.95		\$3,896.95

Interest collected and paid Treasurer—\$13.24

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE E. SCHULZE,
Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF THE EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Agent's report to the Board of Public Welfare:

The Town of Washington has been a member of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District for the past seven and one half years, having come into the District one year after its inception. The District was formed by the towns of Hinsdale and Peru on July 1, 1951, with the town of Becket joining one month later. Washington became a member town on July 1, 1952.

I wish to express my appreciation for the excellent cooperation given by Washington town officials; and especially to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. R. Simmons, Town Clerk and Treasurer, who are retiring this year, but who have given most generously of their time and talent to insure smooth operations between the town and the District.

The cost of public assistance has been approximately \$500.00 less for 1959 than for the year before. However, costs show a continual rise. Hospital rates, as well as the cost of medications has increased. The loss of three cases on Old Age Assistance during the past year has contributed to the lack of increase in cost; two cases were closed by death and one case transferred to another town.

Five cases were being aided on the Aid to Dependent Children program at the beginning of the year. Two cases have been closed; both because families had again become able to care for their own needs through re-employment or other means.

No cases were aided last year under the Disability program.

There have been two cases aided under the General Assistance program during the year. Persons living in other communities but who still retain a settlement in the Town of Washington and who fall in need of aid are reimbursed by your town. These persons are not listed as active cases but the cost of their aid does affect the assistance budget. At present there are outstanding bills for two such cases, who are residing in other communities.

In turn, other towns reimburse the Town of Washington for aid given needy persons who reside here but who retain settlement in other communities.

During the past year a total of 15 cases or twenty-three persons have been serviced, although the year began with 11 and closed with but seven active cases.

The Federal Grant is a revolving account and any balance left in this account at the end of the year may be carried forward for use during the next year. Reimbursement from the State grants cannot be used to defray payrolls, but the monies are credited in the town's general funds and thus used when the new tax rate is being considered.

In closing I wish again to express my appreciation for cooperation given in administering the assistance program.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE H. EAMES,
Agent

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Public Assistance Appropriation		\$9,100.00
Transferred from Reserve		87.52
Expenditures for Old Age Assistance	\$4,148.53	
Expenditures for Aid to Dep. Children	4,704.92	
Expenditures for Disability Assistance	none	
Expenditures for General Assistance	334.07	

Total	\$9,187.52	\$9,187.52
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Federal Grants

Old Age Assistance Federal Grant balance 1/1/59	\$ 989.14
Federal Grants received	1,956.50

Total	\$2,945.64
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Paid for Old Age Assistance from	
Federal Grants	\$2,012.35
Balance in Federal Grant Account 1/1/59	933.29

Old Age Assistance Receipts

Received from Recovery	67.03
Received from Commonwealth	3,527.53
Received from Town of Hinsdale	27.22
Net Cost to the Town	\$516.75

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Federal Grant balance 1/1/59	\$ 191.34
Received in Federal Grants	2,460.00
Refund	4.55

Total	\$2,655.89
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Paid to Aid to Dependent Children	
from Federal Grants	\$2,414.34
Balance in Federal Grant Account 1/1/60	\$ 241.55
Received from Commonwealth	2,379.03
Refund	29.55
Net Cost to Town	\$2,054.79

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Federal Grant Balance 1/1/59		\$54.24
Expenditures	none	
Federal Grant balance 1/1/60		\$54.24

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Receipts	none	
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WELFARE ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation		\$375.00
Transferred from OAA-ADC-DA-Administrative Accts.		32.51
Total		<hr/> \$407.51

Paid to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	\$407.51	
OAA-ADC Administrative Accounts		
Balance carried forward from 1958		
OAA		\$17.49
ADC		15.02
Total		<hr/> \$32.51

Transfer to Welfare Administration	\$32.51	
Reimbursements received—OAA		\$19.50
ADC		13.00
Balance carried forward to 1960		<hr/> \$32.50

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation		\$65.00
Paid to Prudential Committee Member	\$65.00	

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation		\$31,445.00
Salaries of teachers, and Superintendent	\$8,468.14	
Retirement	461.60	
Textbooks	277.15	
Stationery and supplies	279.48	
Janitor	870.00	
Fuel	1,488.77	
Lights and telephone	448.30	
Repairs	464.67	
Local transportation	2,380.00	
High School transportation	6,410.00	
Health	121.91	
High School tuition	7,155.85	
Miscellaneous operating expenses	417.77	
School Committee	8.25	
Superintendent's expenses	229.22	
New equipment	273.95	
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Total Expenditures		\$31,370.18
Unexpended balance		74.82

FRED HANSEN, JR.

LOUISE E. ELLIOT

LEIGH DAVENPORT

Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the support of Schools—1959

Expenditures	\$31,370.18
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Receipts:

Reimbursement from the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts

Chapter 70 State Aid	\$5,679.61
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Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	671.65
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All School Transportation	8,029.84
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State Ward Tuition	675.54
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School Psychologist	55.00
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Vocational School Tuition	430.00
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Total Receipts	\$15,541.64
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Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the
support of schools for 1959

\$15,828.54

Budget for 1960

Teachers' Salaries	\$11,750.00
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Textbooks	200.00
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Supplies for Instruction	200.00
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Janitor	970.00
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Fuel	1,500.00
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Lights, telephone and power	450.00
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Repairs	400.00
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Health	200.00
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Transportation	9,040.00
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High School Tuition	7,260.00
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Operating Expenses	150.00
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Salary and Expenses of Superintendent	1,900.00
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New Equipment	50.00
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School Committee	20.00
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Total	\$33,990.00
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the Support of Schools for the year 1960

Budget for 1960	\$33,990.00
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Estimated Receipts:

Chapter 70—School Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	671.75
All School Transportation	8,735.00
State Ward Tuition	675.00
Vocational School Tuition	450.00
Chapter 71—Handicapped	55.00

Total Estimated Receipts	\$16,266.26
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the support of schools for 1960	\$17,527.74
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Enrollment October 1, 1959

Pittsfield High School	4
Dalton High School	10
St. Joseph's High School	1
Vocational High	1
Total High School Enrollment	16

Elementary School Enrollment

	<i>Grades</i>	
	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	
Mrs. Kimball	5 7 4 5	
Mrs. Whitney	3 9 6 7	
Total Elementary Enrollment		46
Total School Enrollment		62

Graduates—1959

Washington Elementary School

Sharon Gallant

David Furlong

Karen Larson

Carl Chiaretto

School Calendar 1959-1960

		<i>Days</i>
September	School begins September 9	16
October	No School October 12, Columbus Day	
	No School October 30—Teachers' Convention	20
November	No School November 11, Veterans' Day	
	No School November 26-27 Thanksgiving	18
December	No School December 21-31, Christmas	14
January	No School January 1, New Year's Day	20
February	No School February 22-26, Vacation	16
March		23
April	No School April 15, Good Friday	
	No School April 18-22, Vacation	15
May	No School May 30, Memorial Day	21
June	School closes for summer June 17	13
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School Entrance Age:

Pupils must be six years of age as of December 31st.

Working Certificates:

Any employment, either part time or full time, of minors 14 to 16 years of age, requires authorization by permit.

An educational certificate is required in connection with either the full time or part time employment of minors between 16 and 18 years of age in a factory, workshop, manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, barber shop, or in construction or repair of buildings, a bootblack stand, or establishment, or by an express or transportation company. There are some prohibited employments for minors under 18.

These permits and certificates may be obtained at the School Office.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Washington:

Herewith is submitted my fifteenth annual report as Superintendent of your school.

The year of 1959 was another year of change and progress. This is a good state of affairs for this is often the way advances are made. It is such a prevalent thing that the theme of the American Association of School Administrators this year is "Creating and Coping with Change."

Mrs. Stella Wilkie, principal and teacher of the upper grades, resigned as of September in order to teach in Hinsdale and not have to travel. We wish to express our thanks to her for her conscientious efforts for the children of Washington.

Mrs. Whitney, an experienced teacher, came to take her place. Mrs. Whitney's work has been eminently satisfactory and we hope that she will stay. With Mrs. Kimball, our fine primary room teacher, the Washington Elementary School is well staffed.

There has been an increase in the number of elementary school pupils. This necessitated extra expenditure for certain instructional materials, but this has been offset by a decrease in the number of high school pupils and less tuition costs.

A fine duplicator has been purchased and the school committee is offering the use of this machine to other town committees as they find need.

Repair parts for the vacuum cleaner, a heavier floor machine, a floor mop and other operational supplies have been acquired. These will help in the difficult task of keeping the building clean.

The roof repair has been slow. We had hoped that this would be completed at this time, but we are still waiting for the roofer to complete the job.

The 1960 budget is up \$2,545.00. Most of this increase is reflected in the item for teachers' salaries. The school committee rightly considers the value of good teachers.

The decrease in the number attending high school results in a lower estimate for high school tuition in spite of the increase in rates. This item is offset equally by a necessary increase for transportation.

Tuition rates are as follows:

Pittsfield High School	\$490.00
Dalton High School	460.00
Pittsfield Vocational	375.00

Most other items have been estimated about the same as last year.

The work of the school is the work of many people. At the top is the School Committee, which makes school policies. There are the bus drivers who see that the children travel safely, the janitor who maintains a clean school, the cafeteria workers who prepare nutritional meals, the nurse and doctor who check health needs. Most important of all, are the teachers in the classroom and those who work with them. That is where the vital job of educating the individual youngster is done. It is the most important job in the world. To those who are doing it, and to those who give such vital assistance, I tender my grateful appreciation. Other agencies of the community and especially the parents of these children, working together with the schools is essential to the success of these efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL C. SUITOR

Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Earl C. Suitor
Superintendent of Schools
Washington, Mass.

Dear Mr. Suitor:

I submit the annual health report for the Washington school.

The physical examinations were done by Dr. George Breit in October. The general health of the children seems to be good—the most noticable defect, teeth, show the lack of dental care.

The Massachusetts Vision test was given to all pupils in January and December. The failures are noted and parents notified of such cases. We usually have excellent cooperation from parents who take the children, in case of failures, to their own eye specialist.

In May, the hearing test was given using our new audiometer. The parents were notified of failures.

Chicken Pox was prevalent during February and March and was the cause of many absentees during these two months.

State reports on vision, hearing and handicapped children have been sent to Boston.

Consultations with teachers are held on each visit.

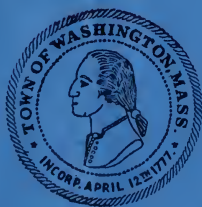
In conclusion, I wish to thank the teachers, parents and pupils for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

IRIS J. MORGAN, R.N.

School Nurse

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
WASHINGTON
AND
SCHOOL COMMITTEE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1960

ANNUAL REPORT
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WASHINGTON
AND
SCHOOL COMMITTEE



For the Year Ending December 31, 1960

TOWN WARRANT

February 11, 1961

Polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and may close at 6 P. M. Business meeting will open at 8 P. M.

Art. 1—To bring in and cast their vote by ballot for the following Town Officers: One Moderator, one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Tree Warden, one Tax Collector, one Auditor, all for one year; one Selectman for three years; one School Committee for three years; and two Assessors for three years.

Art. 2—To see if the Selectmen shall be an agent for the Town in defense of any suits for and in behalf of the Town and to adjust all claims for damage against the Town and to choose an agent or pass any vote thereon.

Art. 3—To hear and act on the reports of the School Committee and Superintendent and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,665.00 or any other sum for the operation of schools or take any action relating thereto.

Art. 4—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue for the financial year, beginning January 1, 1961 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew a note or notes as may be given for a period less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; also temporary loans under provision 6A Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Art. 5—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for expenses of Tree Warden or take any action relating thereto.

Art. 6—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Eden Glen Pond.

Art. 7—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,235.44 for Pension Fund and Expense as required by the Berkshire County Retirement Board and ordered by the Berkshire County Commissioners.

Art. 8—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107.17 or any other sum for the control of the Dutch Elm Disease as required by Chapter 132 of the General Laws as amended, Section 14 (Chapter 657 Acts of 1950).

Art. 9—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Gypsy Moth Control as required by the General Laws Chapter 660 (Section II, Acts of 1918).

Art. 10—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,500.00 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account, \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay the note on the Town's four wheel drive Loader-Tractor and \$130.00 on interest due on same; also \$500.00 on Town truck and \$75.00 on interest due on its notes in 1961 and \$500.00 on Snow Plow and interest \$15.00.

Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$323.12 to pay its portion of the administration and equipment expense of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District.

Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65.00 to pay its member of the Judiciary Committee of the Eastern Berkshire Welfare District for 1961 and authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of its Board to be that member.

Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$14.63 from Old Age Assistance Administration and \$17.88 from Aid to Dependent Children to the Eastern Berkshire Welfare Administration Account.

Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 15—To see if the Town will vote to fix the annual salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 Chapter 41, of the General Laws, as amended, all salaries to be effective as of January 1, 1961.

Moderator	\$ 10.00	Chairman Selectmen	\$150.00
Town Clerk	100.00	2nd member Selectmen	50.00
Town Treasurer	250.00	3rd member Selectmen	50.00
Town Tax Collector	200.00	Auditor	25.00
Chairman Assessors	50.00	Tree Warden	25.00
Clerk Assessors	60.00	Chairman School Com.	50.00
Other members	50.00	Clerk School Com.	60.00
		3rd member School Com.	50.00

Art. 16—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for the following purposes and pass any vote relating thereto (Selectmen's recommendations.) Maintenance of Highways, Chapter 81, \$795.00; Chapter 90, Pittsfield Road, \$1,000.00; Chapter 90 Maintenance, \$1,500.00; Snow Removal, \$3,000.00; Bridges, \$600.00; Appointed Officers, \$210.00; Miscellaneous, \$1,100.00; Forest Warden, \$100.00; Public Assistance, \$11,000.00; Cemeteries, \$200.00; Insurance on Buildings, \$975.00; Civil Defense, \$100.00; Becket Fire Department, \$500.00; Becket Firemen, \$100.00; Veterans' Aid, \$1,500.00; Insurance on Loader and Trucks (Liability and property damage, \$280.00); Board of Health, \$50.00; Workmen's Compensation, \$746.16; Town Officers, \$1,200.00; Officers' Bonds, \$60.00; Discount on Notes, \$500.00; Tax Titles, \$10.00.

Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be used by its Board of Health when needed towards the hospitalization of infants weighing five pounds or less at birth in accordance with Section 3, Chapter 3 of the General Laws as amended, Chapter 601, Acts of 1949.

Art. 18—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for extra janitor service in Auditorium of the Elementary School Building.

Art. 19—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Sons' and Daughters' Reunion.

Art. 20—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sums of \$5,000.00 to pay school note due September 1, 1961, and \$1,104.00 to pay 1961 interest on remaining school notes.

Art. 21—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 from available surplus funds in its treasury to be applied in determining the 1961 tax rate.

Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to pay the Town of Becket for use of its Town Dump.

Art. 23—To see if the Town of Washington will raise and donate the sum of \$100.00 for Ambulance and Resuscitator service (24) hours a day to the Hinsdale Volunteer Firemen's Association. This service is for residents of the Town of Washington only and covers any trip within a (50) mile radius from the Town of Washington.

Art. 24—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$98.00 on old bills account.

Art. 25—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of their members a Purchasing Agent for the town.

Art. 26—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allow any of its members to work for the Town as laborers, machine operators, mechanics or any other Town occupation at the prevailing rate of wage for each job.

Art. 27—To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Citizen's Caucus and return to the Political Caucus.

Art. 28—To choose all other Town Officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot: Field Drivers, Pound Keeper, Fence Viewers, Surveyors of Lumber, Measurers of Wood and Bark, Sexton and Constables.

TOWN OFFICERS IN 1960

MODERATOR
Carl J. Chiaretto

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
Lorraine A. Deane

SELECTMEN

Emil Schulze, Chairman	Term expires 1962
Harry C. Shaw	Term expires 1961
Casseus A. R. Simmons	Term expires 1960

ASSESSORS

Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1962
Louise Elliot, Clerk	Term expires 1961
Casseus A. R. Simmons	Term expires 1961
Philip Bohrer	Term expires 1960
Emil Schulze	Term expires 1960

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE
The Selectmen

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1961
Louise Elliot	Term expires 1960
George L. Davenport	Term expires 1962

TREE WARDEN
Ernest F. Schulze

AUDITOR AND TAX COLLECTOR
Marguerite E. Schulze

APPOINTEES

FOREST WARDEN

Ernest F. Schulze

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Joseph N. Blotz

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Ernest F. Schulze

Joseph N. Blotz

FIELD DRIVERS

Emil Schulze

Joseph H. Furlong

C. A. R. Simmons

POUND KEEPER

C. A. R. Simmons

CONSTABLES

Walter Beckwith

Harold Klein

Amos Gallant

C. A. R. Simmons

James S. Brown

Philip Bohrer

Henry E. Rock, Sr.

Andrew Methe

Roy Simmons

Theodore Cameron

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Philip Bohrer

SEXTON

Roy Simmons

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER

Philip Bohrer

FENCE VIEWERS

Zigmund Zaleski

Wilfred Cadman

Philip Bohrer

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS
Amos Gallant

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
Roland Daigle

INSPECTOR OF ELECTRIC WIRING
Norbert Wagner

DOG OFFICER
Theodore Cameron

CHIEF OF POLICE
Joseph H. Furlong

FIRE CHIEF
Joseph H. Furlong

VETERANS' AGENT
Andrew I. Methe

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

1960 APPROPRIATIONS

Town Meeting February 13, 1960

Schools	\$33,000.00
Tree Warden Expense	100.00
Eden Glen Pond	200.00
Berkshire County Retirement Board	1,158.40
Dutch Elm Disease	107.17
Gypsy Moth	50.00
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	370.70
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District Agent	65.00
Chapter 81	795.00
Chapter 90 Construction	1,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,500.00
Snow Removal	3,000.00
Bridges	600.00
Appointed Officers	200.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00
Forest Warden	100.00
Public Assistance	9,900.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Insurance on Buildings	1,200.00
Civil Defense	100.00
Becket Fire Department	500.00
Becket Firemen	100.00
Veterans' Aid	1,700.00
Insurance on Loader and Trucks	
(Liability and Property Damage)	277.00
Board of Health	50.00
Workmen's Compensation	950.00
Town Officers	1,200.00
Officers' Bonds	60.00
Discount on Notes	500.00
Tax Titles	10.00
Board of Health (Care of Infants)	100.00
Extra Janitor Service	100.00

Sons and Daughters Reunion	\$ 25.00
Payment on School Note	5,000.00
Interest on remaining School Notes	1,224.00
Town of Becket (Use of Dump)	50.00
Hinsdale Ambulance and Resuscitator Service	100.00
Old Bills	600.41
Over-draft on Snow Account	377.57
Electric Adding Machine	179.00
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	\$67,749.25

Art. 10—Voted to appropriate \$4,500.00 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account. \$1,000.00 of which shall be used to pay note on town's Loader-Tractor and \$162.50 interest due on same; also \$1,000.00 on town's four wheel drive truck and sander body and \$32.50 interest due on its notes in 1960.

Art. 13—Voted to transfer \$19.50 from Old Age Assistance Administration and \$13.00 from Aid to Dependent Children Administration to the Eastern Berkshire Welfare Account.

Art. 14—Voted to appropriate \$500.00 from overlay surplus to Reserve Account.

Art. 21—Voted to appropriate \$2,500.00 from available surplus funds in the treasury to be used in determining the 1960 tax rate.

Art. 28—Voted to appropriate \$1,000.00 from surplus funds in the treasury to paint and repair the Elementary School Building.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation		\$9,900.00
Expended for Old Age Assistance	\$4,599.66	
Expended for Aid Dependent Children	2,786.26	
Expended for General Assistance	1,890.72	
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Total Expended		9,276.64
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Unexpended		\$623.36

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Federal Balance from 1959	\$ 933.29
Received in 1960	1,751.00
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Total available in 1960	\$2,684.29
Expended in 1960	1,341.30
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Federal Balance for 1961	1,342.99

Payroll Expenditures

	Federal	Town
January 1 to January 15	\$ 74.00	
January 15 to January 31		\$299.74
February 1 to February 15		74.00
February 15 to February 29		302.89
March 1 to March 15		74.00
March 15 to March 31		275.75
		99.75
April 1 to April 15		74.00
April 15 to April 30		294.00
May 1 to May 15	74.00	
May 15 to May 31	286.75	
June 1 to June 15		65.50
June 15 to June 30	311.30	
July 1 to July 15		65.50
July 15 to July 31		604.36
August 1 to August 15		69.35
August 15 to August 31		315.30
September 1 to September 15		84.85
September 15 to September 30	439.95	192.57
October 1 to October 15	84.85	
October 15 to October 31		449.05
November 1 to November 15	70.45	
November 15 to November 30		75.15
		7.50
		482.30
December 1 to December 15		70.45
		7.50
December 15 to December 31		518.70
		97.45
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Total Expended	\$1,341.30	\$4,599.66

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Federal

Balance from 1959	\$ 241.55
Received in 1960	775.50
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Total	\$1,017.05
Expended	704.00
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Balance for 1961	\$313.05

Payroll Expenditures

	Federal	Town
January 1 to January 15	\$155.70	
January 15 to January 31		\$206.90
February 1 to February 15		155.70
February 15 to February 28		218.95
March 1 to March 15		155.70
March 15 to March 31		177.95
April 1 to April 15		155.70
April 15 to April 30		198.15
May 1 to May 15	155.70	
May 15 to May 31	196.70	
June 1 to June 15		137.20
June 15 to June 30		222.86
July 1 to July 15		106.55
July 15 to July 31		210.15
August 1 to August 15		106.75
August 15 to August 31		135.70
September 1 to September 15		87.30
September 15 to September 30	108.60	
October 1 to October 15		87.30
October 15 to October 31		127.90
November 1 to November 15	87.30	
November 15 to November 30		110.40
December 1 to December 15		87.30
December 15 to December 31		97.80
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	\$704.00	\$2,786.26

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Frissell's Market for case No. 8	\$157.25	
Franklin Fassell, wood for case No. 8	27.00	
City of Pittsfield, case No. 10	210.38	
City of Pittsfield, case No. 7	174.90	
City of Pittsfield, case No. 11	267.48	
City of Pittsfield, case No. 12	368.26	
Ray J. Whitman, Agency case No. 6	25.00	
Leo H. Tavor, case No. 5	75.00	
Town of Becket, case No. 4	270.40	
Case No. 3	13.40	
Mapleview Nursing Home, case No. 3	66.00	
Hinsdale Pharmacy, case No. 3	7.80	
Raymond's Market, case No. 22	15.00	
Becket General Store, case No. 2	146.72	
Levernoch Bros., case No. 2	66.13	
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		\$1,890.72

VETERANS' AID

Appropriation		\$1,700.00
Total Expended		1,303.49
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		\$396.51
McKesson & Robbins, medicines, case No. 1	\$ 969.99	
City of Worcester, case No. 3	83.00	
Curletti's Market, case No. 2	25.00	
Walter Duda, case No. 2	70.00	
Smith Brothers, case No. 2	26.50	
St. Luke's Hospital, case No. 2	6.00	
Case No. 2	74.00	
Central Market, case No. 4	39.00	
Levernoch Brothers, case No. 4	10.00	
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		\$1,303.49

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF WASHINGTON

Appropriation for Sons' and Daughters' reunion	\$25.00
Marguerite Schulze, Treasurer Sons and Daughters	\$25.00

EDEN GLEN POND

Appropriated		\$200.00
John Gardner, labor	\$57.75	
Ed Gargan, caulking dam	5.00	
General Sand & Stone, stone	11.63	
	<hr/>	74.38
Unexpended		<hr/> \$125.62

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation		\$100.00
Pittsfield Radio Company, batteries		12.60
	<hr/>	\$87.40
Unexpended		\$87.40

EXTRA JANITOR SERVICE

Appropriation		\$100.00
Charlie Lane		75.00
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Unexpended		\$25.00

OLD BILLS

Appropriation		\$600.41
The Chemical Corp., salt	\$287.77	
Levernoch Brothers, gas	303.75	
	<hr/>	591.52
Unexpended		<hr/> \$8.89

CHAPTER 81

State Appropriation		\$14,575.00
Town Appropriation		795.00
Transferred from Reserve		1.30
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Total Available		\$15,371.30

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$1,632.75
Amos Gallant, pick-up	552.00

Edward Gallant, operator	\$1,436.75
Alfred Deane, operator	936.25
Emil Schulze, labor	1,314.75
John Gardner, labor	56.00
Richard Galliher, operator	28.00
Ira Markham, hone	31.00
Norman Radwich, mowing	399.00
Fred Strout, operator	24.50
Claude Goodell, truck	318.00
Joe Gillett, truck	483.00
David Gillett, truck	543.00
Edward Murray, operator	105.00
Town of Becket, grader	293.00
John DeAngelus, truck	71.25
Town of Washington, loader	810.00
Town of Washington, dump truck	534.00
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	\$9,568.25

CHAPTER 81 SNOW REMOVAL

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$553.00
Amos Gallant, pick-up	193.20
Edward Gallant, operator	528.50
Roy Simmons, operator	28.00
John Gardner, operator	302.75
Emil Schulze, labor	348.00
Town of Washington, loader	279.00
Town of Washington, dump truck	234.00
Town of Washington, sand truck	684.00
Joe Gillett, truck	48.00
Claude Goodell, truck	96.00
John DeAngelus, truck	148.25
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	\$3,442.70

CHAPTER 81 MATERIAL

Chemical Corporation, salt	\$276.52	
Young Broom Co., brooms	24.00	
Agawam Tool Co., shovels	31.50	
Asphalt Distributors, tar	924.73	
Becket General Store	13.20	
Berkshire Gravel	334.60	
General Sand & Stone	513.79	
Lane Construction Co., Steamix	132.01	
Leona Fassell, gravel	101.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,360.35
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		\$15,371.30

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriated at annual meeting	\$3,000.00
Appropriated at special meeting	1,500.00
Appropriated at special meeting	600.00
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Total Available	\$5,100.00

Amos Gallant, superintendent	\$903.00	
Amos Gallant, pick-up	309.60	
Edward Gallant, operator	883.75	
Theodore Cameron, operator	138.25	
Roy Simmons, operator	68.25	
Edward Murray, operator	45.50	
Emil Schulze, labor	519.00	
Alfred Deane, operator	168.00	
James J. Quirico, bulldozer	90.00	
John DeAngelus, plow	253.25	
Town of Becket, grader	95.00	
Town of Washington, loader	504.00	
Town of Washington, dump truck	243.00	
Town of Washington, sand truck	819.00	
Berkshire Gravel	185.35	
Chemical Corp., salt	327.50	
	<hr/>	\$5,552.45
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Over run		\$452.45

MISCELLANEOUS

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
Mass Selectmen's Assoc., dues	\$ 10.00	
Mass. Treas. and Tax Collector's dues	4.00	
Mass. Assessors' Assoc. dues	9.00	
Mass. Town Clerks' Assoc., dues	7.50	
Berkshire County Selectmen's Assoc., dues	6.00	
Mass. Veterans' Service Assoc., dues	10.00	
Eagle Printing and Binding, town reports	320.00	
Eagle Printing and Binding, ballots	27.50	
Eagle Printing and Binding, envelopes	1.25	
Berkshire Eagle, ad	14.55	
John Gardner, repairs at Town Hall	4.00	
Harry Shaw, registrations	10.00	
Harry Shaw, phone, mileage, postage	31.28	
Lorraine A. Deane, mileage, postage and record.	65.00	
Andrew Methe, phone, postage, stationery	14.35	
C. A. R. Simmons, phone, mileage, postage	43.63	
Emil Schulze, mileage and phone	28.00	
William H. Shandoff, Tax book and distribution book	9.44	
William H. Shandoff, adding mach. ribbon	1.25	
William H. Shandoff, stapler, staples	4.00	
Pittsfield National Bank, check books	15.54	
Dorothy Bartsch, envelopes and postage	78.46	
Hobbs & Warren, supplies for Collector, Assessors and Town Clerk	70.11	
Stoneham Ind., excise tables	3.00	
Barre Gazette, tax bills, excise bills	12.57	
Marguerite Schulze, postage	8.10	
Herman B. Dine, certification notes	12.00	
Moving safe	15.00	
Harold Dragon, land damage	3.00	
		<hr/> \$838.53
Unexpended		<hr/> \$161.47

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

State Appropriation	\$1,500.00
County Appropriation	1,500.00
Town Appropriation	1,500.00
Transferred from Reserve	44.40

Total Available	\$4,544.40
Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$ 61.25
Edward Gallant, operator	56.00
Alfred Deane, operator	47.25
Fred Strout, operator	42.00
Emil Schulze, labor	36.00
Amos Gallant, pick-up	21.00
Claude Goodell, truck	48.00
John DeAngelus, truck	166.25
Joseph Gillett, truck	204.00
David Gillett, truck	108.00
Edward Murray, truck	132.50
Town of Becket, spreader	48.00
Town of Washington, loader	58.50
Ira Markham, hone	155.00
General Sand and Stone	911.59
Lane Construction	442.90
American Tar	2,006.16
Total Expended	\$4,544.40

SNOW PLOW ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$500.00
Eastern Equipment Sales, Snow Plow	\$500.00

BOARD OF HEALTH (Care of Infants)

Appropriation	\$100.00
City of Pittsfield	47.10
Unexpended	\$52.90

NEW TRUCK ACCOUNT

Appropriation		\$3,000.00
Carr Hardware, bolts	\$ 5.32	
Brookshire Ford, truck	1,761.00	
McDermott Sign Service, lettering	21.56	
Alfred Deane, trans. fluid, mirror	34.12	
Howe Bros., bushing, bolts, etc.	40.66	
Eastern States Farmer's Exchange	33.30	
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		1,895.95
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Unexpended		\$1,104.04

INSURANCE ON BUILDINGS

Appropriation Annual Meeting		\$1,200.00
Appropriation Special Meeting		270.76
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Total Available		\$1,470.76
E. H. Pierce & Co.,		
Town Hall and contents	\$ 16.98	
School building and contents	715.65	
Town Garage	53.73	
School building and contents (1959)	684.40	
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		\$1,470.76

MACHINERY

Appropriation Annual Meeting		\$4,500.00
Special Meeting		2,500.00
Special Meeting		300.00
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Total Available		\$7,300.00
Merchant's National Bank, loader and truck		
notes and interest	\$2,195.00	
Levernoch Brothers, gas, oil and grease	1,146.10	
Central Garage, parts and labor	145.87	
Eastern Sales Equipment, snow plow and parts	333.54	
New England Tel. & Tel., garage phone	71.80	
Western Mass. Electric, garage power, lights	9.59	

E. H. Pierce, Registration fees and transfer plate	\$ 10.50	
Triad Weld. Service, pump and etc.	78.95	
Pittsfield Welding, Oxygen and Dem.	94.71	
Gillett & Sons, thermostat, gasket, tire tube, labor	484.99	
Alfred Deane, labor	30.80	
Becket General Store, bolts, tape, enamel, paint	40.97	
Federal Tool Co., plow blades, bolts, chains	602.09	
Howe Brothers, lining and brake shoe	29.48	
Pittsfield Retread, tires	114.24	
William Engwer, repairs on saw	25.70	
Agawam Tool Co., scraper blades, plow blades	83.30	
Stapleton, Inc., bolts, nuts, screws, repairs	31.26	
Brookshire Ford, truck	1,000.00	
Messenger's Garage, parts	18.59	
A. Leo Nash, plate for plow	52.61	
Carr Hardware, bulb	1.84	
Detroit Supply Co., cross chain and mirror	77.93	
Lubrication Engineers, lubrications	121.55	
Socony Mobile Oil Co., gas	106.46	
Tyler Equipment Corp., oil filter, grease and check-up on loader	58.24	
Van's Equipment, parts for sand truck	36.71	
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		\$7,002.82
Unexpended		\$297.18

BECKET FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$500.00
Town of Becket	\$500.00

TOWN OF BECKET (Use of Dump)

Appropriation	\$50.00
Town of Becket	\$50.00

BECKET FIREMEN

Appropriation	\$100.00
Becket General Store, coffee, sandwiches	6.05

Unexpended	<hr/>	\$93.95
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CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

State	\$10,000.00
County	5,000.00
Town	1,000.00
Total Available	<hr/> \$16,000.00

Amos Gallant, Superintendent	\$1,051.75
Amos Gallant, pick-up	360.60
Alfred Deane, operator	974.75
Edward Gallant, operator	687.75
Fred Connor, operator	76.00
Ernest Robinson, operator	36.00
Richard Galliher, operator	24.50
James Mitchel, operator	14.00
Emil Schulze, labor	865.50
Town of Washington, loader	864.00
Town of Washington, dump truck	894.00
Town of Becket, scraper and grader	32.00
Town of Worthington, grader	60.00
Joseph H. Furlong, bulldozer and back hoe	1,028.00
Joseph H. Furlong, truck	630.00
Joseph Gillett, truck	834.00
David Gillett, truck	688.75
Arthur Moon, truck	84.00
Edward Murray, truck	610.00
Harry Freshler, truck	608.00
Claude Goodell, truck	48.00
Roy Gordon, operator	10.50
Frances Brown, gravel	110.00
Annay Collalto, gravel	400.00
L. P. Adams, cement	29.40
C. A. R. Simmons, mixer	12.00
American Tar	1,263.01
General Sand and Stone	707.74
Johns Supply, lumber	43.00

Berkshire Gravel	\$350.67	
Lane Construction	82.08	
Wirthmore, calcium chloride	149.08	
New England Culvert Co., culverts	519.46	
A. Leo Nash, culvert couplings	74.21	
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		\$14,222.75

Unexpended		<hr/>	\$1,777.25
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TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation		\$1,200.00
Ballot Clerks	\$ 36.00	
Marguerite Schulze, Tax Collector	150.00	
Marguerite Schulze, Auditor	25.00	
Lorraine A. Deane, Treasurer	150.00	
Lorraine A. Deane, Town Clerk	100.00	
Harry C. Shaw, Selectman	50.00	
Emil Schulze, Selectman	150.00	
Emil Schulze, Assessor	50.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Selectman	50.00	
C. A. R. Simmons, Assessor	50.00	
Philip Bohrer, Assessor	50.00	
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., Assessor	50.00	
Fred T. Hansen, Jr., School Committee	50.00	
Leigh Davenport, School Committee	50.00	
Louise Elliot, School Committee	60.00	
Louise Elliot, Assessor	60.00	
Ernest Schulze, Tree Warden	25.00	
Carl J. Chiaretto, Moderator	10.00	
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		\$1,166.00

Unexpended		<hr/>	\$34.00
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ADDING MACHINE

Appropriated	\$179.00
Robert Willis, adding machine	\$179.00

BERKSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT BOARD

Appropriation	\$1,158.40
John J. Shields, Treasurer	\$1,158.40

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Appropriation	\$950.00
E. H. Pierce Co.	914.16
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Unexpended	\$35.84

OFFICER'S BONDS

Appropriation	\$60.00
Stevenson & Co., Town Clerk and Treas. bond	\$22.80
Mass. Bonding & Ins. Co., Tax Collector's bond	25.20
Stevenson & Co., increase on Town Clerk's bond	2.00
Herman W. Hurwitz, Deputy Collector	10.00
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	\$60.00

DISCOUNT ON NOTES

Appropriation	\$500.00
Transferred from Reserve	58.90
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Total Available	\$558.90
Merchants' National Bank of Boston, interest	\$558.90

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Appropriation	\$200.00
Joseph Blotz, Inspector of Animals	\$ 35.00
Joseph Furlong, Chief of Police	100.00
Theodore Cameron, Dog Officer	10.00
Roland Daigle, Sealer of Weights and Measures	10.00
Norbert Wagner, Wire Inspector	10.00
Ernest Schulze, Forest Warden	7.50
Joseph Blotz	20.00
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	192.50
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Unexpended	\$7.50

CEMETERIES

Appropriation	\$200.00
Roy Simmons	\$200.00

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE AGENT

Appropriation	\$65.00
Harry C. Shaw	\$65.00

REPAIRS TO SCHOOL

Balance from 1959	\$1,240.24
Appropriation 1960	1,000.00

Total Available		\$2,240.24
Johnson Acoustics, Inc., repair to roof	\$ 25.17	
Pittsfield Paint Co., paint	348.50	
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C. R. Chapel, roofers	225.76	
Alfred Kirchner, painting, caulking, etc., and labor	320.69	
Fred T. Hansen, Sr., material and labor on door	87.60	
		<hr/> 1,356.22

Unexpended	\$886.02
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BRIDGES

Appropriation	\$600.00
Transferred from Reserve	58.10

Total Available		\$658.10
William R. Harrison, plank	\$469.70	
Amos Gallant, Superintendent	42.00	
Edward Gallant, operator	42.00	
Alfred Deane, operator	42.00	
Emil Schulze, labor	36.00	
Amos Gallant, pick-up	14.40	
Town of Washington, truck	12.00	
		<hr/> \$658.10

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Appropriation	\$370.70
Transferred from Reserve	2.00
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Total Available	\$372.70
Virginia Palmer, Treasurer	\$372.70

GYPSY MOTH

Appropriation	\$50.00
Ernest Schulze	27.00
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Unexpended	\$23.00

TREE WARDEN EXPENSE

Appropriation	\$100.00
Transferred from Reserve	72.50
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Total Available	\$172.50
Ernest Schulze, labor	\$ 22.50
Charles R. Pippcon, removing trees	150.00
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	\$172.50

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Appropriation	\$107.17
Unexpended	\$107.17

FOREST WARDEN

Appropriation	\$100.00
Ernest Schulze	4.90
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	\$95.10

UNION FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK

Trust Fund left by Mrs. Savery	\$100.00
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MERCHANTS' NATIONAL BANK

Appropriation		\$6,224.00
Payment on School	\$5,000.00	
Interest	1,224.00	
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INSURANCE ON TRUCK AND LOADER

Appropriation	\$277.00
Transferred from reserve	3.50
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Total Available	\$280.50
E. H. Pierce, Liability on truck and loader	\$280.50

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriation	\$50.00
Unexpended	\$50.00

TAX TITLES

Appropriation	\$10.00
Unexpended	\$10.00

RESERVE ACCOUNT

Appropriated		\$500.00
Int. on Loader and Truck	\$ 3.50	
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	2.00	
Discount on Notes	58.90	
Tree Warden	72.50	
Bridges	58.10	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	44.40	
Chapter 81	1.30	
	<hr/>	\$240.70
Unexpended		<hr/> \$259.30

RECAPITULATION

Old Age Assistance	
Federal	\$ 1,341.30
Town	4,599.66
Aid to Dependent Children	
Federal	704.00
Town	2,786.26
General Assistance	1,890.72
Veterans' Aid	1,303.49
Sons' and Daughters' Reunion	25.00
Eden Glen Pond	74.38
Civil Defense	12.60
Extra Janitor	75.00
Old Bills	591.52
Chapter 81	13,010.95
Chapter 81 Material	2,360.35
Snow Removal	5,552.45
Miscellaneous	838.53
Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,544.40
Snow Plow Account	500.00
Board of Health (Care of Infants)	47.10
New Truck Account	1,895.96
Insurance on Buildings	1,470.76
Machinery Account	7,002.82
Becket Fire Department	500.00
Town of Becket (use of Dump)	50.00
Becket Firemen	6.05
Chapter 90 Construction	14,222.75
Town Officers	1,166.00
Adding Machine	179.00
Berkshire County Retirement	1,158.40
Workmen's Compensation	914.16
Officers' Bonds	60.00
Discount on Notes	558.90
Appointed Officers	192.50
Cemeteries	200.00
Welfare Agent	65.00

Repairs to School	\$1,356.22	
Bridges	658.10	
Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	372.70	
Gypsy Moth	27.00	
Tree Warden Expense	172.50	
Forest Warden	4.90	
Cemetery Bequest	100.00	
Merchant's National Bank, payment and		
Interest on School	6,224.00	
Insurance on Loader and Trucks	280.50	
	<hr/>	\$79,095.93

TREASURY ORDERS

County Tax	\$ 1,311.33	
State Parks	148.45	
Berkshire County Mosquito Control	159.05	
State Audit	298.43	
Dog Licenses	157.25	
Collector of Internal Revenue	3,117.90	
State Withholding Tax	317.49	
Tax Refund	188.70	
Schools	32,995.36	
School Lunch Program	1,538.04	
Highway Loan	29,575.00	
Division of Fisheries and Game	237.50	
Berkshire County Retirement Board	691.10	
	<hr/>	\$70,735.60
Total Selectmen's orders and Treasury orders		<hr/> \$149,831.53

Respectfully submitted,

EMIL SCHULZE, *Chairman*

HARRY C. SHAW

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS
Board of Selectmen

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1960		\$46,366.67
1956 Personal Property	\$ 64.98	
Real Estate	38.79	
1957 Personal Property	57.00	
Real Estate	138.44	
1958 Poll	4.00	
Personal Property	153.90	
Real Estate	80.27	
1959 Poll	18.00	
Personal Property	170.10	
Real Estate	2,404.93	
1960 Poll	108.00	
Personal Property	2,536.97	
Real Estate	14,405.99	
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Levy of 1956	491.70	
Levy of 1957	629.11	
Levy of 1958	184.74	
Levy of 1959	949.52	
Levy of 1960	1,882.63	
Farm Animal Excise		
Levy of 1958	31.87	
Levy of 1960	3.63	
Interest on Taxes	364.47	
	<hr/>	\$24,719.04

City of Pittsfield, In Lieu of Taxes	\$3,885.00
Accounts Receivable:	
General Relief-Town	368.26
Aid to Dependent Children, State	1,615.82
Old Age Assistance, State	2,499.34
Veterans' Services	890.09
Payroll Deductions:	
Federal Taxes	3,117.90
State Taxes	270.28
Berk. County Retirement System	691.10
Road Machinery Earnings:	
Town of Washington	5,935.50
Town of Hinsdale	200.00
Town of Becket	108.00
C. A. R. Simmons	5.00
Carl Chiaretto	22.50
Joseph Furlong	30.00
School Lunch	1,634.70
Dog Licenses	157.25
Sporting Licenses	237.50
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequest	100.00
U. S. Grants	
Aid to Dependent Children	775.50
Administration	17.88
Old Age Assistance	1,751.00
Administration	14.63
Highway Reimbursement Loan	31,575.00
Highway Equipment Loans	2,500.00
Accrued Interest on Loan	1.36
Interest on Deposits	57.11
Aid to Highways	
State	23,383.85
County	7,000.00

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Income Tax	6,577.48	
Corporation Tax	985.34	
Meal Tax	183.60	
Loss of Taxes	11,670.12	
Department of Agriculture	17.50	
School Construction	2,504.27	
School Transportation	8,468.03	
Superintendent of School, Salary	671.65	
Vocational Education	403.58	
Child Guardianship	336.23	
Public Health	717.97	
Berkshire County, Dog Refund	108.91	
Rent of Auditorium	3.00	
Selectmen Licenses	642.50	
Sale of Truck, 1950 Ford	112.50	
Insurance Refund, Workmen's Compensation	144.11	
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		\$122,391.36
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		\$193,477.07

EXPENDITURES

Selectmen's Orders	\$79,095.93	
Schools	32,995.36	
Collector of Internal Revenue	3,117.90	
Berkshire County Retirement Board	691.10	
State Withholding Tax	317.49	
Division of Fisheries and Game	237.50	
Dog Licenses	157.25	
State Audit	298.43	
Parks	148.45	
Berkshire County Mosquito Control	159.05	
Tax Refunds	188.70	
Merchant's National Bank, Highway Loan	29,575.00	
School Lunch Program	1,538.04	
County Tax	1,311.33	
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		\$149,831.53

PITTSFIELD NATIONAL BANK

Balance as per statement Dec. 31, 1960	\$51,436.89	
Deposit in transit, Dec. 31, 1960, verified	500.00	
	<hr/>	\$51,936.89
Balance as per Check Book, Dec. 31, 1960	\$41,827.48	
Outstanding checks, as per list	10,109.41	
	<hr/>	\$51,936.89
Pittsfield National Bank checking account	\$41,827.48	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1960	251.46	
Berkshire County Savings Bank	\$1,566.60	
	<hr/>	\$43,645.54

Respectfully submitted,

LORRAINE A. DEANE,
Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Dog Licenses

Males, 42 at \$2.00	\$84.00	
Females, 8 at \$5.00	40.00	
Spayed females, 15 at \$2.00	30.00	
Kennel, 2 at \$10.00	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$174.00
Fees retained		16.75
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Paid Treasurer		\$157.25

Sporting Licenses

Resident Citizen

Fishing	17 at \$ 4.25	\$72.25
Hunting	7 at 4.25	29.75
Sporting	13 at 7.25	94.25
Minor Fishing	2 at 2.25	4.50
Female Fishing	3 at 3.25	9.75
Archery Stamps	1 at 1.10	1.10

Non-Resident

Fishing 7-Day	1 at	4.25	4.25
Fishing	2 at	8.75	17.50
Hunting	1 at	15.25	15.25
Duplicate	1 at	.50	.50
Resident Citizen, free	1		
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Fees retained			\$249.10
			11.60
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Paid Treasurer			\$237.50

Births

1960

Jan.	28	Russell Duane Gillett, son, David Russell Gillett and Bette Mae Hunt Gillett
Feb.	21	Gregory David O'Brien, son, Norman Theron O'Brien and Bernice Margaret Newton O'Brien.
April	1	Jody Michael Lampro, son, Francis Henry Lampro and Patricia Ann Burke Lampro
June	26	Wendy Sue Lane, daughter, Francis Walter Lane and Helen Mary Harris Lane
Sept.	26	Bridget Madeline Gillet, daughter, Bruce Paul Gillett and Betty Jane Engwer Gillett
Nov.	10	Dale Robert Newberry, son, John Robert Newberry and Sandra Madigan Newberry
Nov.	12	Anita Louise Rock, daughter, Henry Earl Rock, Jr. and Janet Louise Belanger

Deaths

1960

- March 2 Elizabeth Knowles Love, age 19
 March 2 Donald Edmund Love, age 32
 April 27 Margaret S. Kirchner, age 86
 June 28 Howard R. Molineux, age 91
 July 7 Ella (Murdock) Chase, age 89
 July 29 James F. Hart, age 51
 Sept. 11 Florence (Lane) Demmons, age 39
 Sept. 12 Angie Vincent Hathaway, age 91
 Sept. 14 Grace A. DeRouville, age 77
 Oct. 15 Katherine (Culverhouse) Kirchner, age 89
 Dec. 1 Sophie (Sussman) Rod, age 74

Marriages

1960

- Aug. 13 Anthony Albert Goodchild of Sewickley, Pa. and Anne Elizabeth Larson of Washington.
 Nov. 12 William Mack, Jr. of Dalton and Sheila Zaleski of Washington.

Respectfully submitted,

LORRAINE A. DEANE ,

Town Clerk

ASSESSORS' REPORT

1960 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriations to be raised by taxation	\$67,749.25	
Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds:		
In 1960	\$7,532.50	
In 1959 since 1959 rate was fixed	5,100.00	
	<hr/>	\$12,632.50
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		\$80,381.75
State: Tax and Assessments	1960	
State Parks and Reservations	\$116.47	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	298.43	
Mosquito Control	130.45	
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		\$545.35
County: Tax and Assessments:		
County Tax		\$1,312.76
Overlay of current year		1,023.87
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Gross amount to be raised		\$83,263.73
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:		
Income Tax	\$ 6,200.99	
Corporation Taxes	835.34	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	11,664.43	
Old Age Tax (Meals)	166.76	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	3,250.00	
Licenses	500.00	
Fines	50.00	
Protection of Persons and Property	15.00	
Charities (other than federal grants)	2,300.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	3,500.00	
Veterans' Services	600.00	
School (funds from Income Tax not to be included)	9,800.00	
Interest on taxes and assessments	200.00	
State Assistance for School Construction—		
Chapter 645, Acts of 1948	2,500.00	
City of Pittsfield, Chapter 375, Acts of 1954	3,885.00	
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Total Estimated Receipts		\$45,467.52

Overestimates:

County Tax	\$160.60
State Parks and Reservations	13.02

Amounts voted to be taken from available funds

June 20, 1959—Available Funds	\$4,100.00
October 22, 1959—Available Funds	350.00
December 15, 1959—Available Funds	650.00
February 13, 1959—Available Funds	6,032.50
February 13, 1960—Free Cash	2,500.00
March 19, 1960—Available Funds	1,500.00
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	\$15,132.50

Total Available Funds	<hr/>	\$15,306.12
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Total estimated receipts and available funds	\$60,773.64
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Net amount to be raised by taxation on polls and property	\$22,490.09
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Number of Polls, 80	Tax	\$ 160.00
Personal Value \$ 47,205.00	Tax	3,162.73
Real Estate Value \$286,080.00	Tax (\$67.00)	19,167.36

Total	\$333,285.00
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Total taxes levied on polls and property	\$22,490.09
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1960 TABLE OF AGGREGATES

<i>Number of Persons Assessed</i>	<i>Individuals</i>	<i>All Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
On Personal Estate only	40	7	47
On Real Estate only	110	6	116
On both Personal and Real Estate	33	9	42

Total number of Persons Assessed

205

Total number of Polls Assessed

80

Value of assessed personal estate

Stock in Trade	\$20,460.00
Machinery	17,400.00
Live Stock	965.00
All other tangible personal property	8,380.00

Total Value of assessed personal estate	<hr/>	\$47,205.00
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Value of assessed real estate

Land exclusive of buildings	\$ 73,360.00
Buildings exclusive of Land	212,720.00

Total value of assessed real estate	<hr/>	\$286,080.00
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Total valuation of assessed estate	<hr/>	\$333,285.00
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Tax Rate per \$1,000.00—\$67.00

Taxes, including overlay

On Personal Estate

\$ 3,162.73

On real estate

19,167.36

On polls

160.00

Total taxes assessed

\$22,490.09

Number of live stock assessed

*Farm Animal
Assessed*

General

\$5 Excise

Horses

2

2

Neat Cattle: Cows (Milch)

9

36

Steers—1 Heifers—4

5

Sheep (6 months old, or over)

5

Fowl

25

All Other

8

Number of acres of land assessed

8,590.51

Number of dwelling houses assessed

114

Respectfully submitted,

FRED T. HANSEN, JR.

EMIL SCHULZE

CASSEUS A. R. SIMMONS

PHILIP BOHRER

LOUISE ELLIOT

Board of Assessors

1960 TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1954 TAXES

Outstanding in 1959 Town

Report, Per. taxes	\$15.40	Abated Personal taxes	\$15.40
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1955 TAXES

Outstanding in 1959 Town

Report, Personal taxes	\$17.60	Abated Personal taxes	\$17.60
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1956 TAXES

Outstanding in 1959 Town

Report, Real Est. taxes	\$38.79	Pd. Treas., Real Est. taxes	\$38.79
Personal taxes	64.98	Pd. Treas. Personal taxes	64.98

1956 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Outstanding in 1959 Town

Report, Excise taxes	\$491.50	Paid Treasurer	\$491.50
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Interest collected in 1960 on 1956 Taxes \$103.23

1957 REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL, POLL TAXES

Outstanding in 1959 Town		Pd. Treas., Real Estate	\$138.44
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Report Real Est. taxes	\$206.63	Uncollected Real Estate	68.19
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Outstanding Personal	57.00	Pd. Treas. Per. taxes	57.00
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Outstanding Poll	4.00	Uncollected Poll	4.00
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 \$267.63

 \$267.63

1957 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Pd. Treas. in 1957	\$1,320.49	Warrants	\$3,987.76
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Abatements	27.84		
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Abatements in 1958	194.97		
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Pd. Treas. in 1958	1,101.63		
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Abated in 1959	11.42		
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Pd. Treas. in 1959	154.18		
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Pd. Treas. in 1960	629.11		
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Uncollected	548.12		
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 \$3,987.76

 \$3,987.76

1957 Interest collected in 1960 \$117.60

1958 REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL, POLL, FARM EXCISE			
Collected in 1958, Real Estate	\$13,112.95	Real Estate Warrant	\$15,603.24
		Personal Tax Warrant	2,451.80
Abated Real Estate	184.61	Farm Excise	50.15
Pd. Treas. in 1959	1,948.97	Poll Tax	130.00
Certified by Tax Title	29.64		
Pd. Treas. in 1960	80.27		
Uncollected	246.80		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
Personal Taxes	2,084.15		
Abated Personal	5.70		
Pd. Treas. in 1959			
Personal taxes	102.60		
Pd. Treas. in 1960			
Personal taxes	153.90		
Abated in 1960 Per. taxes	76.95		
Uncollected	28.50		
Pd. Treas. in 1958			
Farm Excise	18.28		
Pd. Treas. in 1960			
Farm excise	31.87		
Collected in 1958,			
Poll taxes	112.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1959			
Poll taxes	12.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1960			
Poll taxes	4.00		
Abated Poll Tax	2.00		
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	\$18,235.19		\$18,235.19

1958 EXCISE TAXES ON MOTOR VEHICLES

Pd. Treas. in 1958	\$1,936.40	Warrants	\$3,268.89
Collected and refunded	77.89		
Abated	17.07		
Pd. Treas. in 1959	914.17		
Abated in 1959	28.89		
Pd. Treas. in 1960	184.74		
Uncollected	109.73		
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	\$3,268.89		\$3,268.89

1958 interest collected and paid Treasurer in 1960 \$30.25

1959 REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL, FARM EXCISE AND POLL

Pd. Treas. in 1959	\$14,362.63	Real Est. Warrant	\$17,852.44
Abated	151.20	Added to taxes	5.99
Certified to Tax Title	32.76	Personal taxes	2,776.85
Pd. Treas. in 1960	2,404.93	Farm Excise	29.73
Abated in 1960	144.61	Poll Tax	160.00
Uncollected Real Estate	762.30		
In 1959 Pd. Treas.			
Personal taxes	2,273.66		
In 1960 Pd. Treas.			
Personal taxes	170.10		
Abated in 1960	75.60		
Uncollected	257.49		
In 1960 Pd. Treas			
Farm Excise	20.98		
Uncollected	8.75		
Pd. Treas. in 1959			
Poll taxes	120.00		
Abated in 1959	16.00		
Pd. Treas. in 1960	18.00		
Uncollected Poll	6.00		
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	\$20,825.01		\$20,825.01

1959 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Collected and Pd. Treas.		Warrants	\$3,896.95
in 1959	\$2,273.65	Additional Warrants	434.57
Collected and Refunded	51.39		
Abated	132.55		
In 1960 Pd. Treas	949.52		
Abated	1.61		
Uncollected	922.80		
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	\$4,331.52		\$4,331.52

1959 interest collected in 1960 \$107.12

1960 REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL FARM EXCISE AND POLL

Collected and Paid		Real Estate Warrant	\$19,167.36
Treasurer	\$14,405.99	Personal Tax Warrant	3,162.75
Abated Real Estate	324.62	Poll	160.00
Certified to Tax Title	34.84	Animal excise	24.25
Uncollected	4,401.91		
Pd. Treas. Per taxes	2,536.97		
Uncollected Personal	625.78		
Pd. Treas. Animal excise	3.63		
Uncollected	20.62		
Pd. Treas. Poll taxes	108.00		
Abated Poll taxes	18.00		
Uncollected	34.00		
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	\$22,514.36		\$22,514.36

1960 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Paid Treasurer	\$1,882.63	Warrant	\$3,076.53
Abatements	71.36		
Uncollected	1,122.54		
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	\$3,076.53		\$3,076.53

1960 interest collected \$6.27

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE E. SCHULZE,

Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF THE EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Agent's report to the Board of Public Welfare:

There have been several changes in legislation and policy during the past year which had an effect on public assistance in the Town. The year 1960 began with three categories of assistance, Old Age Assistance, Aid To Dependent Children, and General Assistance. Last fall a new type of assistance, known as Medical Aid to the Aged, amended the Old Age Assistance program for those receiving medical care in licensed nursing homes, public medical institutions or chronic hospitals. This newly created category might have posed a problem for the Town, were it not for the fact that one welfare program had been acted upon at the annual meeting. Thus funds were available in this instance without the need of calling for a special town meeting.

On the debit side of the ledger, Federal Reimbursement on Old Age Assistance has introduced a new matching formula with an increase in reimbursement to the town of \$6.00 per case. However the effect of this increase in reimbursement will not be felt until January of this year as the new formula did not go into effect until October 1960.

Even with these several new changes, it was possible to meet the payrolls in all categories for the full year with Federal Grant balances carried forward to the year 1961.

Other changes in legislation and policy will bring further changes in the year to come. Medical costs continue to rise, nursing homes have been certified for an increase of \$.10 a day which brings the cost for care to \$6.60 per diem in nursing homes. Hospital per diem costs were increased effective January 1, 1961.

A fee schedule for drugs was inaugurated in 1960 which aids in the control of excessive drug costs.

Old Age Assistance recipients have been allowed an extra amount in their travel allowance.

The Disability category now includes an allowance for Leisure Time Activity and Travel Allowance.

While the additional allowances made in these two categories will increase the cost to a small extent, they have met a need long overdue.

The case load remains much the same—at the beginning of the year there were 7 active cases—at the close there are still 7 cases—although the number in two categories is slightly different.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Town Officials and to Mr. Harry C. Shaw, Prudential Committee member who have been most cooperative in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE H. EAMES,
Agent

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Public Assistance Appropriation		\$9,900.00
Expenditures for Old Age Assistance	\$3,583.66	
Expenditures for Aid to Dependent Children	2,786.26	
Expenditures for Disability Assistance	none	
Expenditures for General Assistance	2,010.58	
Expenditures for Medical Aid to the Aged	1,016.00	
Total		\$9,396.50
Balance returned to Town General Funds		\$503.50

FEDERAL GRANTS

Old Age Assistance Federal Grant Balance 1/1/60		\$ 933.29
Federal Grants received		1,751.00
Total		\$2,684.29
Paid for Old Age Assistance	\$1,341.30	
Balance in Federal Grant Account 1/1/61		\$1,342.99

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECEIPTS

Received from Commonwealth		\$2,499.34
Received from Meals Tax		183.60
Net Cost to the Town	\$491.02	

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Federal Grant Balance 1/1/60		\$241.55
Received in Federal Grants		775.50
Total		\$1,017.05
Paid to Dependent Children	\$ 704.00	
Balance in Federal Grant 1/1/61		\$ 313.05
Received from Commonwealth		1,615.82
Net Cost to the Town	\$1,098.94	

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Federal Grant Balance 1/1/60		\$54.24
Expenditures	none	
Federal Grant Balance 1/1/60		\$54.24

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Receipts	none	
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WELFARE ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation		\$340.20
Transferred from OAA-ADC-Administrative Accounts		32.50
Total		<hr/> \$372.50
Paid to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	\$372.50	
OAA-ADC-Administrative Accounts		
Reimbursements received-Old Age Assistance		\$14.63
Reimbursements received-Aid to Dep. Children		17.88
Balance carried forward to 1961		<hr/> \$32.51

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation		\$65.00
Paid to Prudential Committee Member	\$65.00	

EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE—1960

	District	Hinsdale	Becket	Peru	Washington
On hand 1/1/60	\$1,325.00	\$ 809.25	\$ 302.09	\$ 112.85	\$ 100.81
Reimbursement	10,038.77	5,290.16	3,182.43	998.85	567.33
Paid in by Towns	5,411.40	2,789.10	1,749.60	500.00	372.70
Total	\$16,775.17	\$8,888.51	\$5,234.12	\$1,611.70	\$1,040.84
Warrants	\$14,515.09	\$7,648.33	\$4,601.89	\$1,444.21	\$ 820.66
Balance	\$2,260.08	\$1,240.18	\$ 632.23	\$ 167.49	\$ 220.18
Net Operating Expense—1960	4,476.32	2,358.17	1,419.46	445.36	253.33
Percent of Case Load					
1/1/60 to 6/30/60		51.4%	32.4%	9.9%	6.3%
7/1/60 to 12/31/60		54.0%	31.0%	10.0%	5.0%
1/1/61 to 6/30/61		53.9%	30.4%	9.6%	6.1%

BUDGET FOR 1961

Salaries	\$11,865.00	ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FOR 1961	
Travel	550.00	1961 Budget	\$15,830.00
Rent and Maintenance	934.00	State Reimbursement	\$4,800.00
Postage	275.00	Federal Reimbursement	5,200.00
Telephone	300.00		\$10,000.00
Electricity	60.00		\$5,830.00
Retirement Fund	913.30		
Bond for Treasurer	12.00		
Rent	250.00		
Office Supplies	250.00		
Office Equipment	250.00		
Repair of Office Equipment	83.76		
Miscellaneous	86.94		
Total	\$15,830.00		

Net Cost to Towns:

Hinsdale	\$3,142.37
Becket	1,772.32
Peru	559.68
Washington	355.63
Total	\$5,830.00

Case Load:

	OAA	ADC	DA	GA	MAA	Total	%
Hinsdale	29	7	8	9	9	62	53.9
Becket	18	2	3	4	8	35	30.4
Peru	10	0	1	0	0	11	9.6
Washington	2	1	0	1	3	7	6.1
Total	59	10	12	14	20	115	100%

Eastern Berkshire Welfare District Judiciary Committee,
 WILLIAM E. FRISBIE, *Chairman*—Becket
 PAUL A. MEYERS, *Secretary* —Hinsdale
 EDWARD H. KELLY —Peru
 HARRY C. SHAW —Washington

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation		\$33,000.00
Teachers	\$9,540.12	
Mass. Retirement Board	523.31	
Earl C. Sutor, Superintendent	1,710.01	
Superintendent's expenses	203.54	
Textbooks, stationery and supplies	530.91	
Janitor	870.00	
Fuel	1,371.05	
Light and telephone	525.07	
Repairs	267.70	
Health	106.65	
Transportation	9,603.20	
High School tuition	7,314.42	
Miscellaneous	94.60	
School Committee	10.50	
New Equipment	314.28	
All others	10.00	
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Total Expenditures		\$32,995.36
Unexpended balance		\$4.64

FRED T. HANSEN, JR.

LOUISE E. ELLIOT

LEIGH DAVENPORT

Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the support of schools—1960

Expenditures	\$32,995.36
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Receipts:

Reimbursement from the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts

Chapter 70—State Aid	\$5,679.61
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	649.65
All School Transportation	8,468.03
State Ward Tuition	336.23
School Psychologist	55.00
Vocational School Tuition	403.58

Total Receipts	\$15,592.10
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Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the support of schools for 1960	\$17,403.26
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Budget for 1961

Teachers' Salaries	\$12,000.00
Textbooks	200.00
Supplies for Instruction	200.00
Janitor	870.00
Fuel	1,500.00
Lights, telephone and power	525.00
Repairs	400.00
Health	200.00
Transportation	7,800.00
High School Tuition	8,700.00
Operating Expenses	150.00
Salary and Expenses of Superintendent	2,000.00
New Equipment	100.00
School Committee	20.00

Total	\$34,665.00
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Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington
for the support of schools for the year 1961

Budget for 1961:		\$34,665.00
Estimated Receipts:		
Chapter 70—State Aid	\$5,679.61	
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	650.00	
All School Transportation	9,000.00	
State Ward Tuition	675.00	
Vocational School Tuition	88.00	
Chapter 71—Handicapped	55.00	
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Total Estimated Receipts		\$16,147.61
Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Washington for the support of schools for 1961		\$18,517.39

Enrollment—October 1, 1960

Pittsfield High School	2
Dalton High School	14
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Total High School enrollment	16

Elementary School

	<i>Grades</i>							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Mrs. Kimball	6	6	7	2				
Mrs. Whitney					5	3	10	4
Total Elementary Enrollment								43
Total School Enrollment								59

Graduates—1960

Washington Elementary

Marjorie Burnham

Patricia Finn

Alexander Jarvie

Priscilla Lane

Robert Poillucci

Marilyn Renaud

Dwight Winter

School Calendar—1960-1961

		<i>Days</i>
September	School begins September 7	18
October	No School October 12, Columbus Day	
	No School October 28, Teacher's Convention	19
November	No School November 11, Veterans' Day	
	No School November 24-25, Thanksgiving	19
December	No School December 23-31, Christmas	16
January	No School January 1-2, New Year's	21
February	No School February 20-24, Vacation	15
March		23
April	No School April 17-21, Vacation	15
May	No School May 30, Memorial Day	22
June	School closes for summer June 15	11
Total		179

Working Certificates:

Any employment, either part time or full time, of minors 14 to 16 years of age, requires authorization by permit.

An educational certificate is required in connection with either the full time or part time employment of minors between 16 and 18 years of age in a factory, workshop, manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment, barber shop, or in construction or repair of buildings, a bootblack stand, or establishment, or by an express or transportation company. There are some prohibited employments for minors under 18.

These permits and certificates may be obtained at the School Office.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Washington:

This is the sixteenth annual report which I have submitted as Superintendent of this school union.

The people of Washington can well be proud of their school. The fine work continuing daily is evident to anyone visiting the school. There is a serious concentration to work. The opportunity is there at all grade levels to obtain a fine elementary school education.

Last spring Intelligence Tests were administered to grades 3, 4, 7 and 8. The results show an average to better than average mental ability.

Achievement tests were given in May of 1960. These showed the following medians:

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Achieved Median</i>
8.8	Grade 10
7.8	9.7
6.8	8
5.8	6
4.8	5.4
3.8	4.3
2.8	3.5
1.8	2.0

The overall achievement is better than the average school and we expect this. Classes with a median score of a year in advance are showing outstanding achievement.

Correlation between ability and achievement is close in most cases but we find some pupils doing better than would be expected. This is fine. Others are not working up to ability. This is not so good and suggests further study of and by the pupil.

Going back to the everyday activities we find several extra curricular activities motivating the regular work and adding other desirable skills. Typing is being started by those who complete their other assignments. This is a privilege and is very popular. The pupils were using the town typewriter, but now the P.T.A. has given them two machines for their use. Sewing and cooking are other activities which are supplemental and do not replace the other school work.

The Science Fair was an outstanding success. All who came and saw, marvelled at the show and the demonstrators. The parents and friends for whom the pupils graciously served a tea had a very pleasurable experience. The cookies, etc. were products of their cooking classes.

We have purchased new social studies and spelling textbooks for grade 7, as well as language books for grade 5, and other necessary books needed to fill out sets. Instructional supplies have been supplied as needed.

A change was made in the transportation plan. Now all pupils are transported. The cost would have been less than the previous plan but we had an extra trip caused by the different schedules of Dalton and Pittsfield High Schools. Next year there will be a reduction in the transportation costs when this extra trip may be omitted and one of the elementary and high school trips combined.

The exterior of the building was painted last summer. Roof leaks have been repaired and the auditorium painted.

An examination of the budget for 1961 will show that a close line has been drawn. A decrease in transportation costs is more than offset by the increase in tuition costs. There is only one pupil graduating from high school and there will be four entering in the fall.

Tuition Rates

Pittsfield High School	\$513.58
Dalton High School	500.00
Vocational School	375.00

In conclusion, I should like to commend each individual of the committee, staff and town who has by his efforts contributed to the betterment of the educational opportunities for the pupils of Washington for the year 1960. We look forward with eager anticipation to the events of 1961.

Sincerely,

EARL C. SUTOR,
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Earl C. Suitor
Superintendent of Schools
Washington, Mass.

Dear Mr. Suitor:

I submit the annual health report for the Washington School for 1960.

In April, Mrs. Elizabeth Watt, State Dental Hygienist showed an educational film on oral hygiene and talked to the students on the accepted method of brushing their teeth. She did a dental survey which consisted of individual inspection of each child's teeth, noting decay in permanent and deciduous teeth. Each child received a report of her findings. Thirty-nine pupils were inspected and fifteen were referred to their own dentist for necessary work.

A free Salk polio vaccine clinic was held at the school in October. There were seventy-two (72) doses of vaccine administered by Dr. George Breit.

The physical examinations of the students were done by Dr. Breit, School Physician. Defects were noted and parents notified if necessary.

All state reports on health appraisals, vision and hearing tests and the physically handicapped child have been sent to Boston.

Teacher-nurse conferences are held at each visit to the school.

Inspections of the hair, ears and skin are done frequently.

Weights and heights have been taken and recorded.

In conclusion, I thank the school committee, teachers, parents and students for their cooperation in our health program.

Sincerely,

IRIS J. MORGAN, R.N.
School Nurse

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Balance Sheet—December 31, 1960
GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash		Temporary Loan:	\$31,575.00
Accounts Receivable:		In Anticipation of Reimbursement	
Taxes:		Surplus War Bonds	138.41
Levy of 1957:	\$		
Poll	4.00		
Real Estate	68.19		
Levy of 1958:	\$	Federal Grants:	
Personal Property	28.50	Disability Assistance:	\$ 54.24
Real Estate	246.82	Aid to Dependent Children:	313.05
		Aid	17.88
Levy of 1959:	\$	Administration	1,342.99
Poll	6.00	Old Age Assistance:	14.63
Personal Property	257.49		
Real Estate	762.30		1,742.79
Levy of 1960:	\$		
Poll	34.00	School Lunch Program	328.05
Personal Property	625.78		
Real Estate	4,401.91	Appropriation Balances:	
		Revenue:	
		General	\$2,661.27
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		Non-Revenue:	
Levy of 1957	\$ 548.12	Purchase of New Truck	104.04
Levy of 1958	109.73		
Levy of 1959	922.80		
Levy of 1960	1,122.55		2,765.31
Farm Animal Excise:		Oversetimate 1960:	
Levy of 1959	\$8.75	County Tax	1.43
Levy of 1960	20.62		
		Sale of Real Estate Fund	1,000.00
		Road Machinery Fund	3,890.83
		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	2,470.73
		Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	
Tax Titles:		Levy of 1957	\$ 72.19
		Levy of 1958	275.32
		Levy of 1959	537.49
		Levy of 1960	632.68
Departmental:			
General Relief	\$253.10		
Aid to Dependent Children	323.42		
			1,517.68

Aid to Highways:

State \$15,566.15
County 5,000.00

Underestimates 1960:

State Recreation Areas \$31.98
Assessment 28.60
Mosquito Control

Overdrawn Appropriation Accounts:
Section 31, Chapter 44 General Laws:
Snow Removal

452.45
\$74,808.50

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer \$2,703.20
Excise 29.37
Farm Animal Excise 339.70
Tax Title 576.52
Departmental

3,648.79
25,729.48

Surplus Reserve

\$74,808.50

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:

Inside Debt Limit:
General
Outside Debt Limit:
General

\$ 6,500.00
46,000.00
\$52,500.00

Serial Loans:

Inside Debt Limit:
Departmental Equipment
Outside Debt Limit:
School Construction

\$6,500.00
46,000.00
\$52,500.00

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds:
Cash and Securities
In Custody of Town Treasurer

\$100.00
\$100.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund

\$100.00
\$100.00

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